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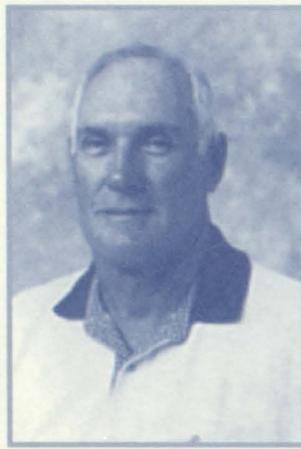
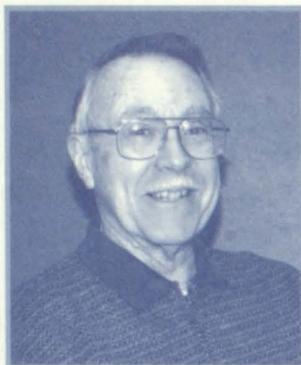
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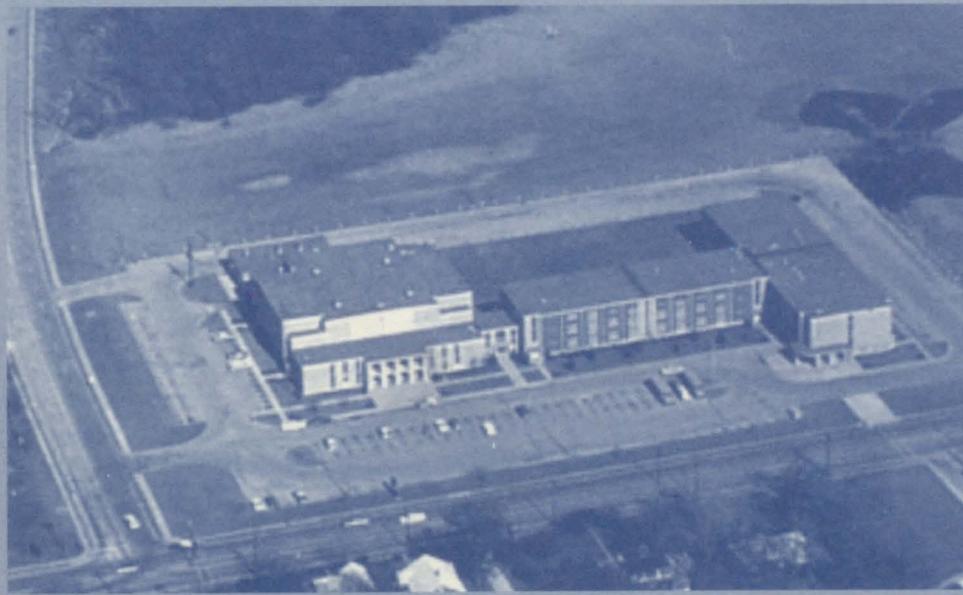
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Minorities	0 %	17.4 %
African-American	0 %	13.3 %
Hispanic	0 %	2.9 %
Oriental	0 %	0.8 %
Arabic	0 %	0.4 %

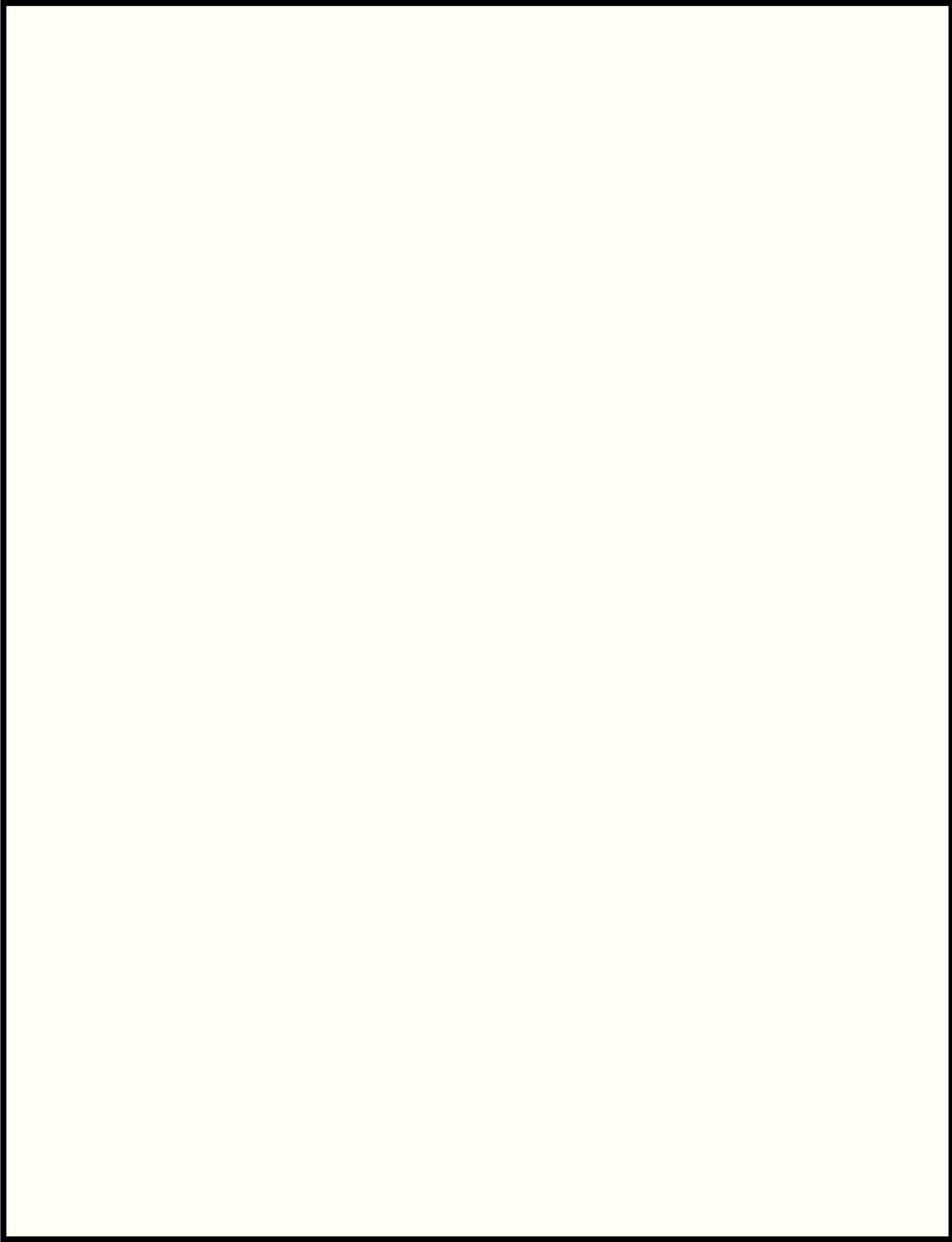


Althoff Excellence

In 1969 they had Woodstock but now we have PointFest. We think we listen to "our" music but look at what was "in" in 1968:

- #1 Hey Jude - The Beatles
- #5 Hello Goodbye - The Beatles
- #14 Mrs. Robinson - Simon & Garfunkel
- #18 I Heard It Through The Grapevine - Marvin Gaye





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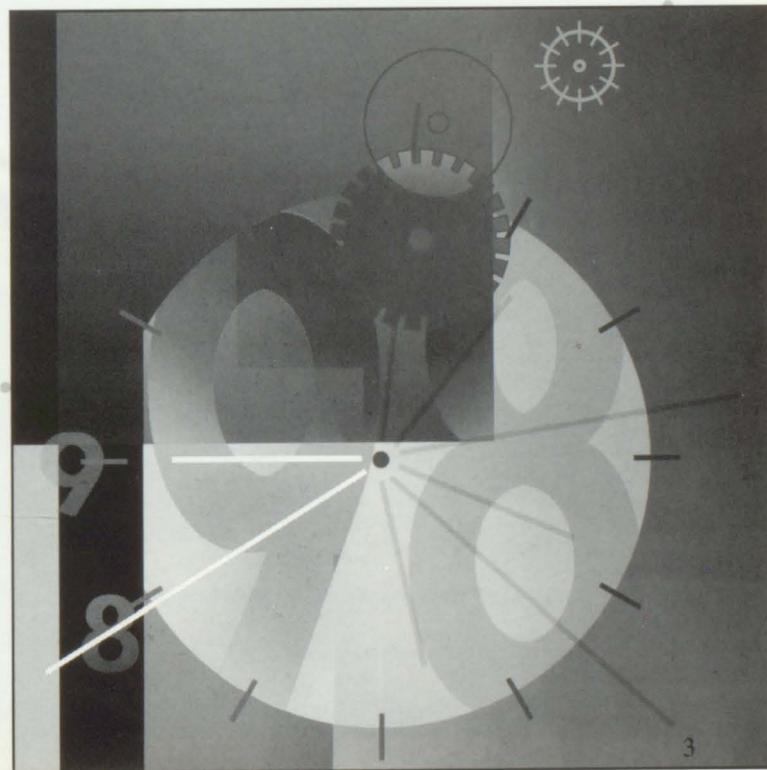
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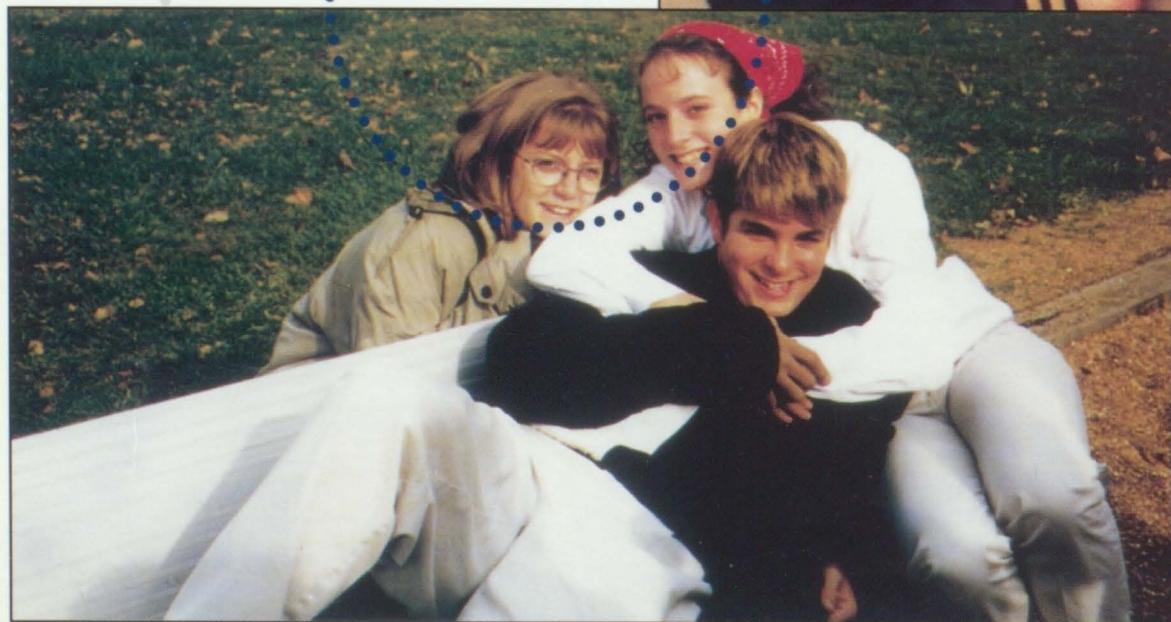
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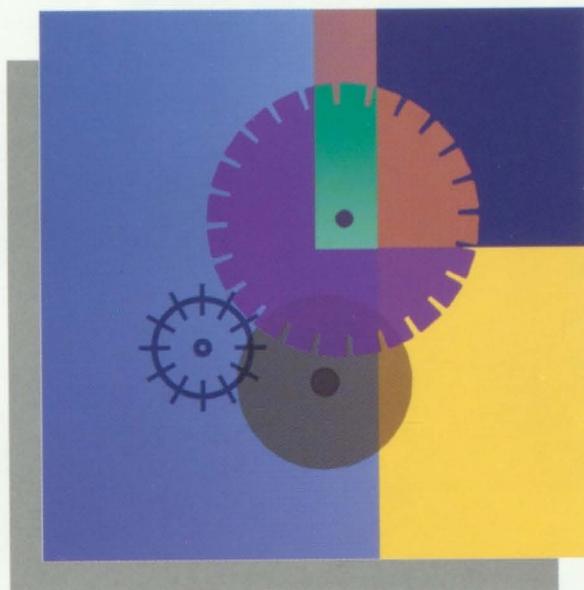


Time passes unnoticed through our daily schedules, filling the weeks and months, turning into our cherished years.



STUDENT *Life*





*From quiet homes and first beginnings,
Out to the undiscovered ends,
There's nothing worth the wear of winning,
But laughter and the love of friends.*

This year Althoff welcomed many new students, including the class of 2001. To calm their first day jitters, Althoff devised a new plan to take the place of traditional orientation activities.

On Monday, August 25, and Tuesday, August 26, the freshmen class was divided into two groups. One group spent Monday at Althoff, getting to know the school, their lockers, their classrooms, and their teachers. Meanwhile, on Monday, the other half of

A DAY OF ADVENTURE

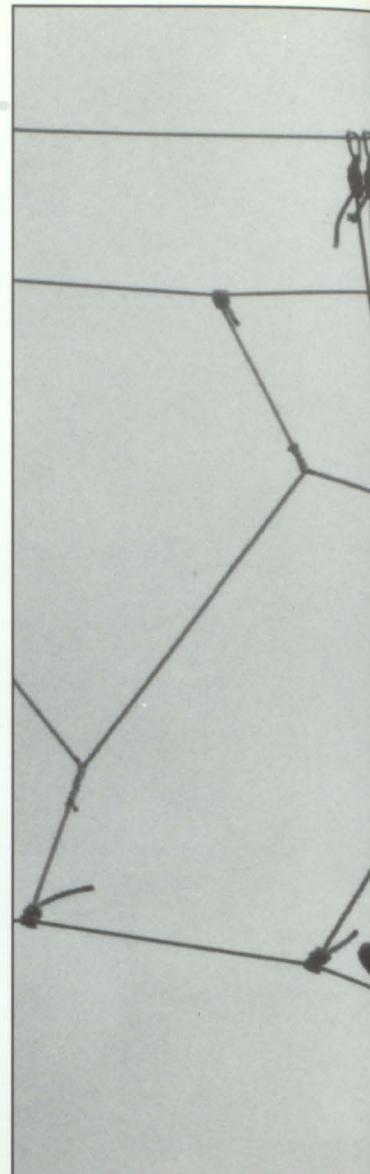
Freshmen Orientation

the students were enjoying the day outside at the YMCA Camp. On Tuesday, the groups switched places.

The time spent at the camp turned out to be a lot of fun for the freshmen. The students were able to choose one of four activities: caving, height challenge, teams course, or rappelling. Each of these

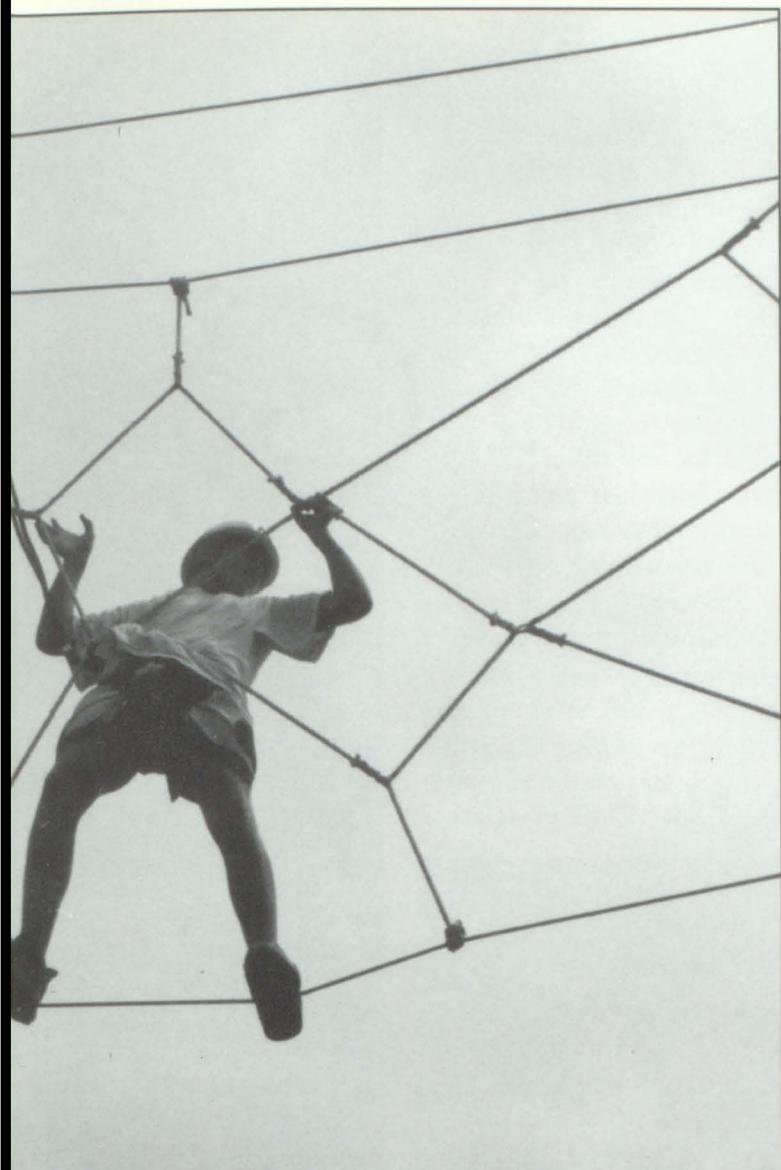
activities was designed to help instill a feeling of trust among the new classmates. Overall, the new programs for freshmen orientation were a great success, both in allowing the students to get to know each other, and in making the process fun for everyone involved.

-Suzanne Heinzel



Working together for a common goal was the focus of this year's orientation. These freshmen strive to cross the ropes.

Even the most unlikely people don't mind getting dirty. Sr. Jan displays her crazy side by entering the cave.



• While learning how to correctly climb and repel, this freshmen gets a bird's eye view of the YMCA camp.

• Having fun working together and bonding, these freshmen have a blast crossing the ropes.



• After a long hot day in the sun, taking a lunch break became very appealing to these girls, as they eat together.

• Preparing to repel, a leader gets these kids properly suited up as they get ready to descend from the platform.

This orientation was a step above every other school's.

- Bill Beatty

Summer FUN

School's out for the summer, no more homework, no more books, no more teachers dirty looks! The 3:05 bell rang and set our souls free from the Althoff compound. Twelve weeks of long awaited freedom stood before us. Unfortunately, summer ended with the blink of an eye and the 8:10 bell was ringing again.

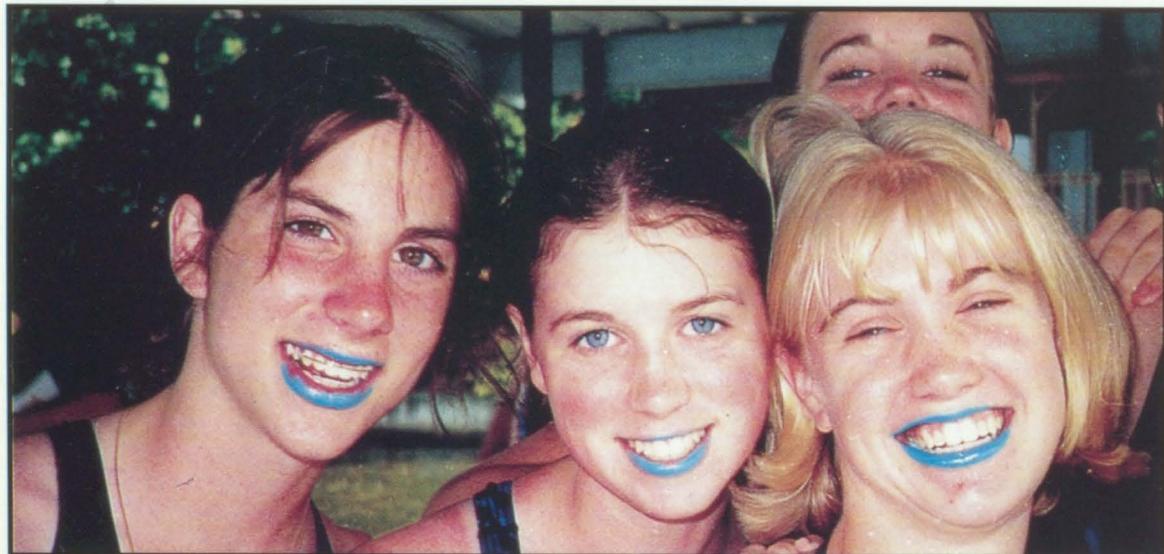
The question is, how did we spend our twelve weeks? Many of us

went to the local pools, played summer league sports, and enjoyed our time with close friends.

Katie Williams spent her time swimming and playing volleyball. Summer is also a great time to pick up a little extra cash. "This summer, I worked at Burlington Coat Factory," says Melissa Bell. Jerome Tilman decided to further his education, "I went to a program at S.I.U.E. to learn about

computers and science." If the lazy summer days were not overrun with jobs and friends, exotic vacations filled them. Jane Baur and her family traveled to Africa, experiencing the desert safari.

In many different ways, summer creates fun filled days. Some take the time out to go to the Ozarks, and others relax with friends in the cool summer breezes. Camp Ondessonk and Althoff parties kept the summer rolling with unforgettable memories. "Summer is a time to relax, hang out and do things you can't during school, and above all, have fun!" says Katie Warchol.



• (Above): Blue lip water babies stop to take a quick picture.
• Tess Seibert, Liz Grimm, and Lisa Padgett spent August canoeing in the Ozarks.

• (Right): Boys being boys. These clowns, Justin Seigel, Derek Schmeider and Rick Roustio, partied through the long summer nights.





• These usually impeccable girls decide to take a mud bath. • Monica Rodriguez and Erin Ficke emerged from Augustine's Agony at Camp Ondessonk.

• The girls congregate to play a little cards. Katie Guignon, Sam Dahlman, Ali Threlkeld, Jackie Shadwick, Jill Foppe, and Jenny Riley mello out at the Riley's condo.



• Cardinal fans enjoy an afternoon game. Laura Keilman, Lisa Hepp, Melanie Reiniger, Liz Beaty and Julie Dougherty hang out having fun.

• (Left): These friends enjoy a cool summer night. Leslie Boyle and Carson Menges spent time relaxing at a party.



Six Days of Madness

SPRiT WEk

1997

Spirit week is a time to let loose, have fun, and show our combined school spirit. The week was full of fun, costumes, smiles, laughs, and best of all: memories.

The week began with "Toga Day."

Everyone pulled the sheets out of the closet and created their own toga! From Rainbow Brite to Care Bear sheets, everyone added their own flair to the day.

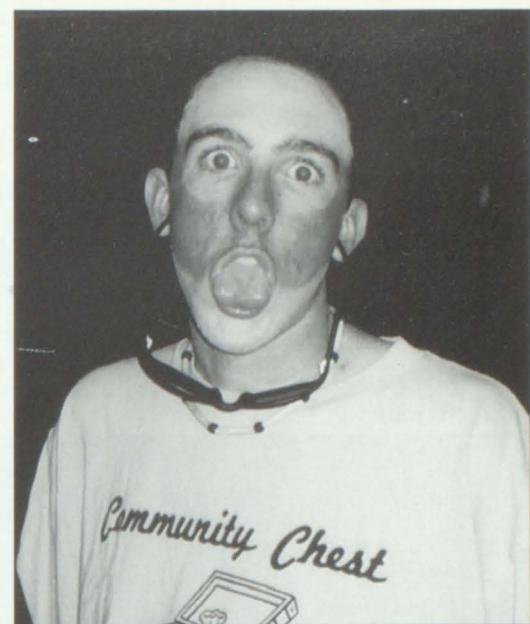
Later in the week such celebrities as G.I. Joe and Charlie's Angels were spotted roaming the halls. Thursday was a half day, followed by games, food, prizes, and fun. Each AP participated in a rough and tough game of tug-of-war, a messy egg throwing contest and wet and wild bucket brigade. After all of the games were over, the pep rally was held, concluding the week with a poms and cheerleader performance. The pep rally was performed to raise everyone's school spirit, especially the football players and fans, in hopes to bring us a Homecoming Week victory.



Showing just how buff they are, Jim Hayden and Blake Keck display that when you need a bodyguard, they will be of assistance.



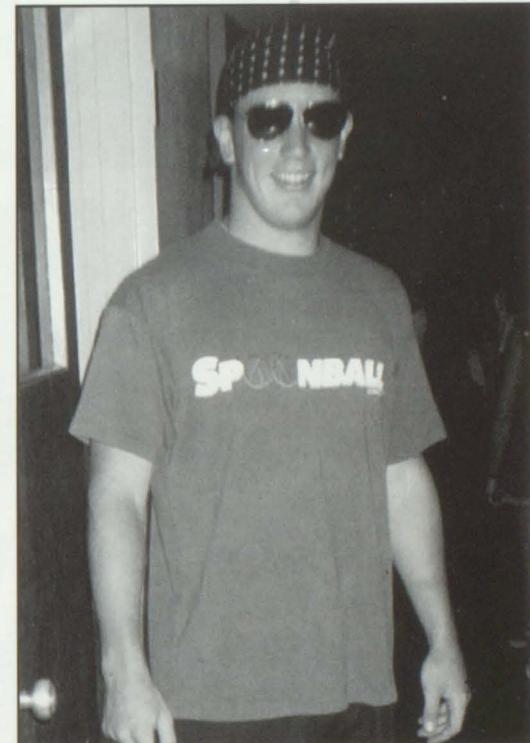
Getting into character for Spirit Week, Laura Johnston, Allison Hill, Kristin Richards, and Mary Ann Gibbs became Charlie's Angels, the 70's television drama detectives.



- Taking school spirit to a higher level by dressing up, painting his face, and coloring his hair, Dan Feighery proves that when you're a senior, it's time to go all out.
- Using all their might to win, this group pulled their way to a tug-of-war victory for their AP.



- Taking a break in the cafeteria before going to the pep rally, these friends display their Althoff spirit by getting decked out in blue and gold.



- As a senior, the class distinction was wearing blue, sunglasses, and weird socks. Matt Colbert shows how it's done by dressing very distinctly.

• (Right): After being crowned the 1997 Homecoming Queen, Kim Herbeck and her escort Keith Karban smile for a quick picture after dancing to her song "One Angel".

• (Below): Close friends Justin Siegel, Kate Schifferdecker, Megan Williams, and Derek Schmieder gather for a quick chat before going in for the dance.



• (Right): Looking radiant as she walks down the runway, Kara Schumacher and her escort, Adam Cannady, make their way to the stage.

• (Far right): The 1996 Homecoming Queen runner-up Trishel Bourrage took time to crown Kim Queen as her Court looks on.



"It was such an honor to be on the court and respected by my fellow classmates. I had a lot of fun!"

-Amy Rickmann

Having the *Time* of Our Life...

Althoff's Homecoming Queen Coronation and Dance was held on September 19th. Students danced and socialized with one another in the decorated gymnasium. Amongst the balloons and flowers, the court made its grand entrance at 8:30 p.m.

This year's

Homecoming Court included: Kim Herbeck, escorted by Keith Karban; Amy Rickmann, escorted by Gregg Rauckman; Kara Schumacher, escorted by Adam Cannady; Jamie Sperry, escorted by Matt Biegler; Suzanne Neville, escorted by Steve Seibert and Kate Schifferdecker, escorted by Derek Schmeider. The junior maids were Julie Howenstein, escorted by Dan Peil; Jane Bauer, escorted by Andy Gonzales and Kara Underwood, escorted by

Josh Brown.

Laura Schumacher, the Executive Board vice president, introduced each girl and her escort to the students and parents who had gathered.

Kim Herbeck was crowned the 1997 Althoff Homecoming Queen. The runner-up was Amy Rickmann.

Last year's runner-up, Trishel Bourrage, crowned Kim and the court was congratulated by friends and family.



• (Above): Amid the night's excitement, the 1997 Homecoming Court gathers before the dance and coronation.

• These girls know how to party! Liz Beatty, Melanie Reiniger, Lisa Hepp, and Stephanie Boone catch their breath after breaking it down on the dance floor.

Below: A common sight during homecoming week, these friends smile for a picture. Amy Tissier, Janelle Buettner, and Megan Williams party together at the Homecoming game.



Many students dress up their cars and trucks for the Homecoming Parade, but a surprising vehicle in this year's parade is this Hummer. Ruth Mueller, Lillie Yociss, Megan Threlkeld, Bonnie Evansco, Liz Bolen, and Erin Ficke show off their good work.



Getting into the Rock 'n Roll theme on the Show Choir float, Bridget Weir dons a cape and a blow-up guitar.



Talk about taking friendship to the extreme. These guys get all decked out to support "Timmy" Wescovich.



ROCKIN' ROUND THE CLOCK

Homecoming parade and game

After an exciting night at the dance, many students filled Althoff's parking lot preparing for Saturday's activities. The annual Homecoming parade was a big event for everyone. Decorating the various cars and trucks in this year's "Rock 'n Roll" theme, the

student body really got into the act. The Pom Pon Squad who decorated their float in a rock and roll cafe theme took home first prize once again. In addition, many APs entered the decorating contest, proving how Althoff students can come together and show spirit. After the parade made its way down Main Street, around the square and back to school, many parents and friends

welcomed those who took part in it.

Later that night, the Homecoming game took place at Township Stadium. Playing against the Riverview Gardens Rams; our Crusaders fought hard but, in the end, the Rams walked away with the victory. During halftime, the court was presented and the many Althoff fans and alumni cheered loudly for the royalty.



• Repeat winners of this year's float contest, the Pom Pon Squad works to finish their posters so every detail is perfect.

• Taking pride in their work, this group of seniors displays their spirit. Julie Randle, Nicole Campbell, Sharon Wagner, Anne Greiff, and Connie Van Loo prove that the class of '98 knows how to rock!

IT'S TIME TO SHINE

Fall Play • *Murder in the House of Horrors*

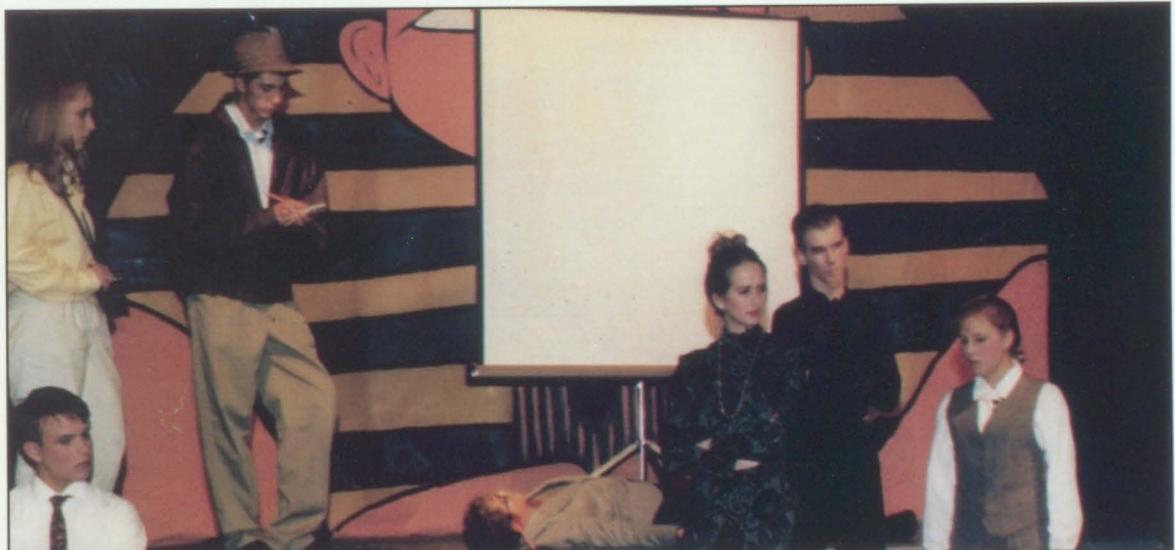
The Althoff Drama Club pleased audiences again this year with the fall play, *Murder in the House of Horrors*. The show began with a lecture by Professor Dirk Carlton (Ryan Conley), a befuddled archaeologist. While presenting his lecture, Dirk Carlton was stabbed in the ear with a pencil and died during a blackout. Various members of the audience, including the professor's

wife, Frances Carlton (Katy Biver) and a wealthy patron, Lurenda Westbrook (Nicole Honerkamp), were suspected of killing the professor. Lt. Dan Morrow (CJ Gaughan) stepped into solve the case. He promptly and intelligently discovered the murderer to be Elena Newman (Megan Dudzik), the professor's assistant and lover.

In addition to the show, the rest of the cast and crew constructed and

performed in a haunted house. This new spice allowed the audience to be taken on a frightening adventure before trying to solve the mystery.

The show was a wonderful experience for all of those involved. Much thanks and appreciation goes to the director, Elaine Laws, and the stage manager, Bridget Weir, for all their hard work and dedication which made the show a huge success.



- The new sound system is a mystery to everyone! Steve Winkeler and Melanie Kozak make sure that the sound system doesn't go out, while Director Elaine Laws watches the performance.

• These two show off their dancing for the camera.
• Dan Feighery and Karen Regan boogie down.



• "Here's looking at you" ...
• Chuck Scott shows he has the moves while he breaks it down on the dance floor.



• When they put their heads together, this group always makes a pretty picture. John Pajares, Ann Peduzzi, Jenny Stogner, and Anne Goepfert are ready for a night of fun.



• "You're taking a picture of this?" An unsuspecting Joe Costello and Mrs. Mueller are captured on film.

CHRISTMAS BALL

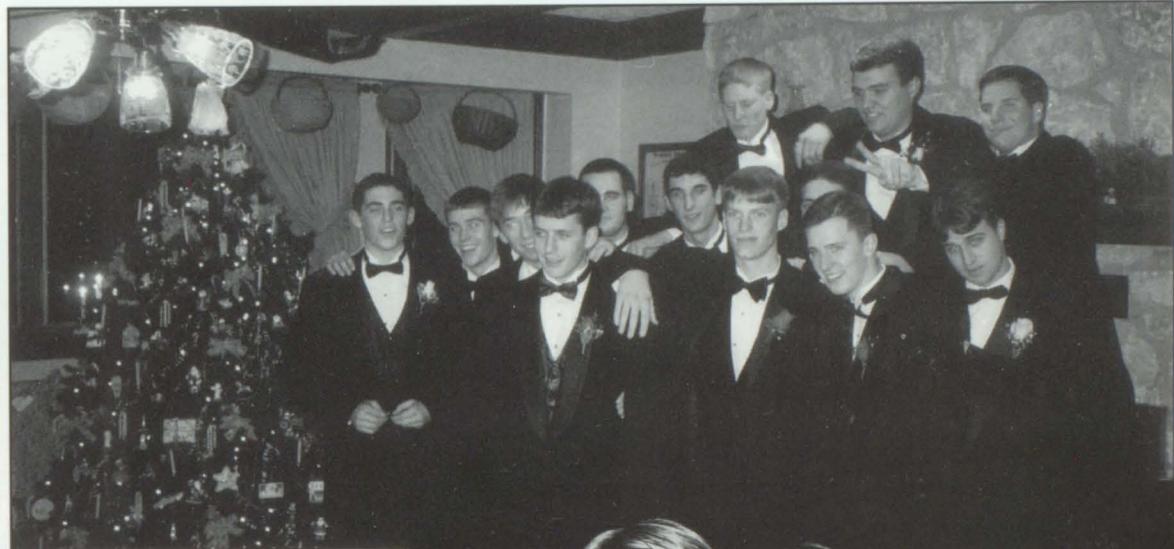
An Evening of Enchantment

The 1998 Christmas Ball was an occasion of fun and holiday celebration. Many friends and couples dressed to impress and piled into the countless limos, fancy cars, and limo buses to ride into the night.

The formal ball began at 7:30 in the Althoff "Christmas Palace" (better known as the gym). Couples walked in, smiled, greeted their friends, and soon after, danced the night away. When the dance floor got too hot,

many refreshed themselves with soda and cookies, which was most certainly a treat.

The Christmas Ball was a great success and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. The night really added to the very merry season.



These friends share a quick hug before returning to the dance floor. Ryan Conley and Ruth Mueller danced the night away.

"We are men!" Allen Gilbert and Jason Stockley prove their masculinity.

(Above left) "I love you, man." These buds, Mike Utnage and Adam Hickey, lighten it up.

(Above) Gentlemen in tuxedos gather to frame their handsome egos.

Christmas Ball

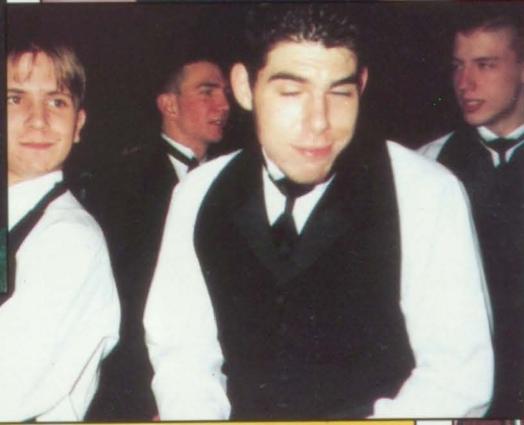
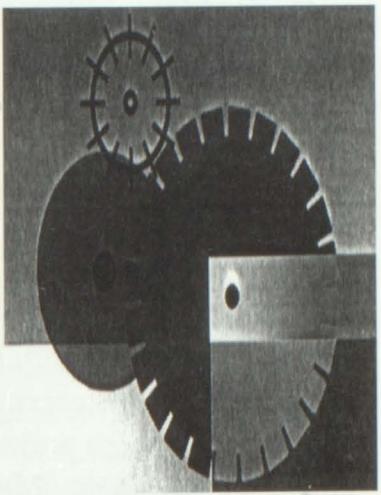


Christmas Ball turned out to be a time to show off... your dress, your tuxedo, your hair, even your date.

These people pictured are just a few of the many who enjoyed

An Enchanted Evening.





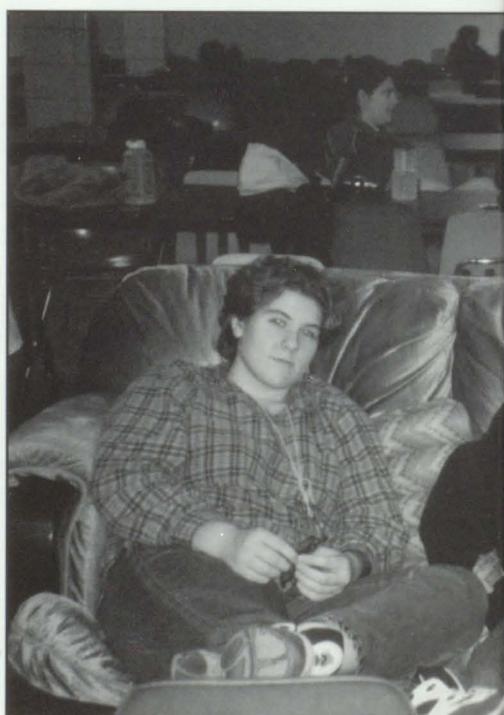
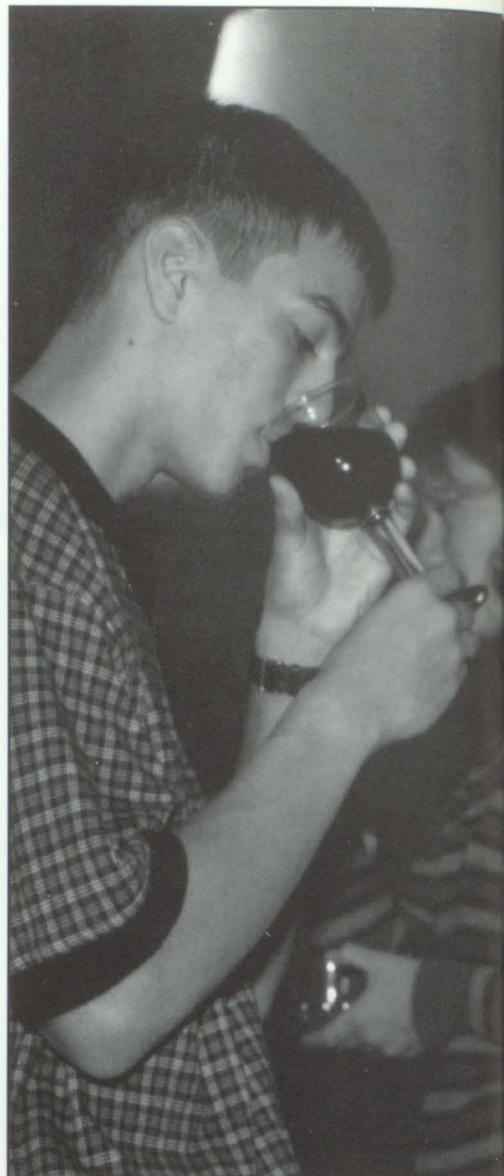
Taking Time Out to Reflect

The consensus of most Althoff students is that all-school liturgies provide a great environment for reflection and celebration of faith with friends. This year's masses encouraged interaction through prayer, planning, and music. Many students found it rewarding to participate in these ways.

The celebrants of the masses this year challenged us to live our faith everyday, and one even put music in his homily. All delivered messages of hope and love for others.

Through school masses each one of us is reminded why we go to Althoff, as a commitment of our faith.

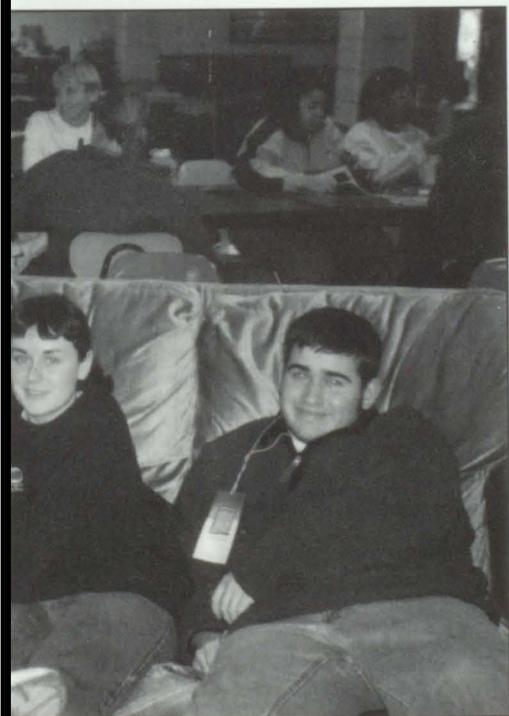
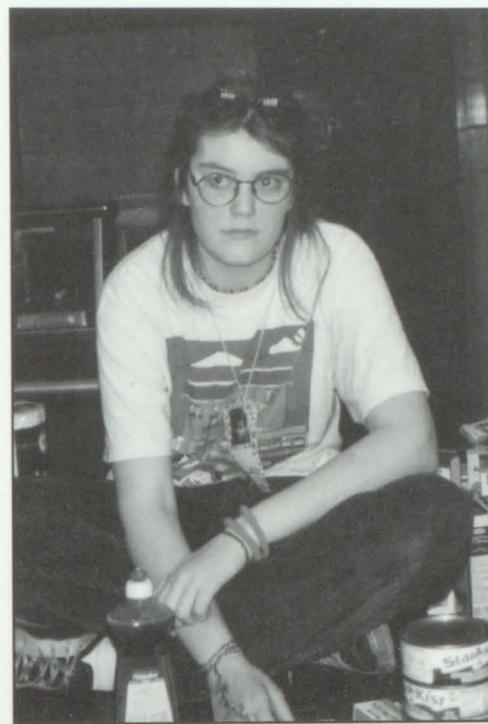
- Father Elmar joined us several times this year to help us celebrate the mass.



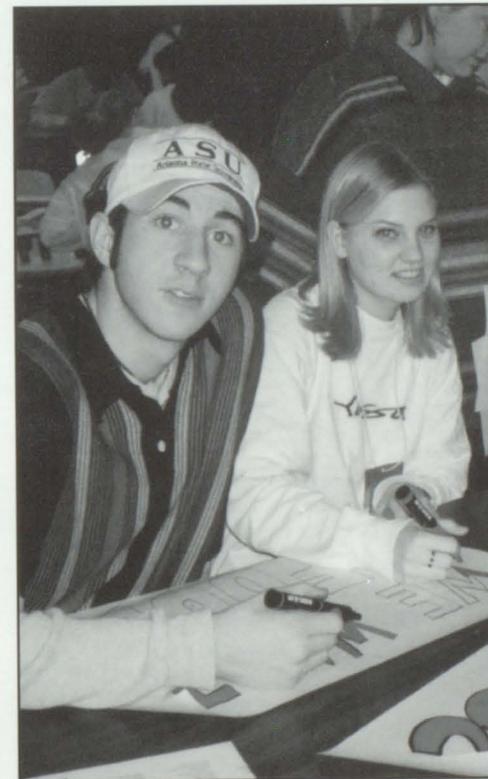
- Lisa Hepp, a eucharistic minister, gives fellow student Stacy Sieben communion.



- (Left): Dave Deets chooses to take wine from Mrs. Toennies.
- (Below): Amid the piles of canned food, Sarah Howard attempts to tally their points for the scavenger hunt.



- (Above): "We want food!" read the signs Jared Holland and Liz Bolen made for the Canned Food Scavenger Hunt.
- (Left): Kim Keplar, Ramona Caponegro, and Bryan Bollman kick back and relax between activities during the Famine.



We pray for the victims where hunger is widespread, whose dreams are fading and whose hope is dead. We pray that they find strength from somewhere within to nourish their souls so they live once again. We pray for enlightenment for each choice we make. We pray for hope and guidance with each step we take.

We pray for the children to be strong at heart, for their lives to flourish and not fall apart. We pray for the victims of disease and AIDS, to restore their faith before it fades. Protect us from the harm that burdens our life. Heal us and save us from the twisting knife. May God's love flow to the farthest of lands and may all of us rest safely in the warmth of His hands."

-Natalie Bellm

Thirty Hours To Make A Difference

Once again, the 30 Hour Famine exceeded everyone's expectations, both monetarily and participation-wise. The Canned Food Scavenger Hunt, Interactive Journey, and prayer services returned from last year. New sleeping areas, different breaking the fast selections, and a mass were new activities that enriched the Famine experience.

This year's Famine ran smoothly and was lots of fun. People from nearly every group at school were present, providing a rich variety in experience. Thankfully, the usually present short tempers were nowhere to be found this year.

All in all, the Famine turned out to be a moving experience for everyone who participated.

A Bed Time Story

THE PAJAMA GAME

On April 3rd, 4th, and 5th, the Althoff Drama Department showcased their talents with *The Pajama Game*, a musical comedy based on a book by George Abbott and Jerry Ross. A small, sleepy 1950s town was caught in a fierce battle between labor and management.

• Sid Sorokin (Ryan Conley), a superintendent, was brought in to keep things under control at the Sleep Tite Pajama Factory. He met and quickly fell in love with Babe Williams (Mary Ann Gibbs), the head of the grievance committee. But

the workers' demand for a seven-and-a-half-cent raise planted them on opposite sides of the fight.

A flirtatious secretary (Nicole Honerkamp), her boyfriend, a jealous knife-throwing foreman (CJ Gaughn), a simple-minded union president (Jeff Pelch), a kind, yet curious secretary (Jenny Riley), and a stubborn, gruff dictator (Brian Kauling), added a comedic note to the show.

The many weeks of preparation finally paid off for the over 50 members of the cast and crew when the curtain rose

on Friday night. Directed by Elaine M. Laws, this year's musical wowed crowds with its song and dance numbers. The orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Greg Townsend, added their instrumental expertise to this enjoyable weekend.

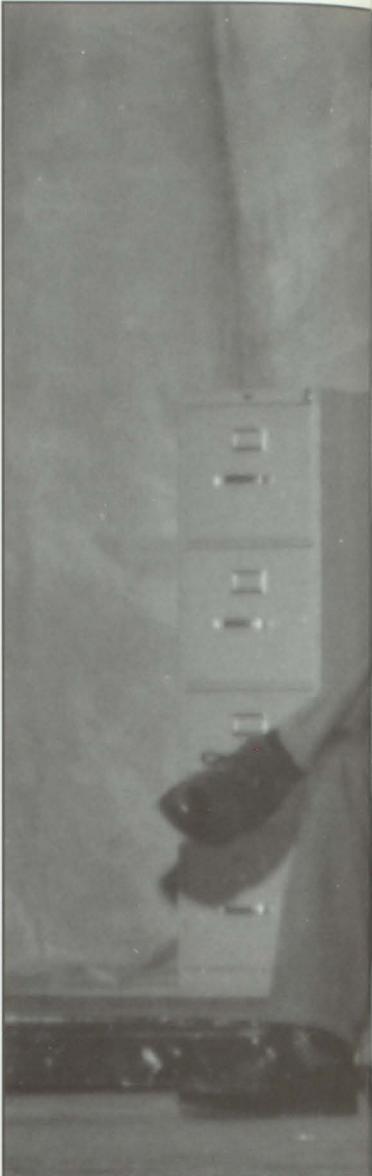
Senior Brian Kauling remarked, "It's much harder than it looks, and it all came together nicely."

Special thanks go out to Elaine Laws, now in her twentieth year of directing, Mr. Townsend, and all who came to enjoy the show.



• (Above): They're proud to be in the Pajama Game. The cast and crew sings the last song at the children's performance on Thursday.

• (Right): The pit added a lot of life to the musical. Mr. Townsend leads the Pajama Game's Pit Orchestra in the ensemble of music.



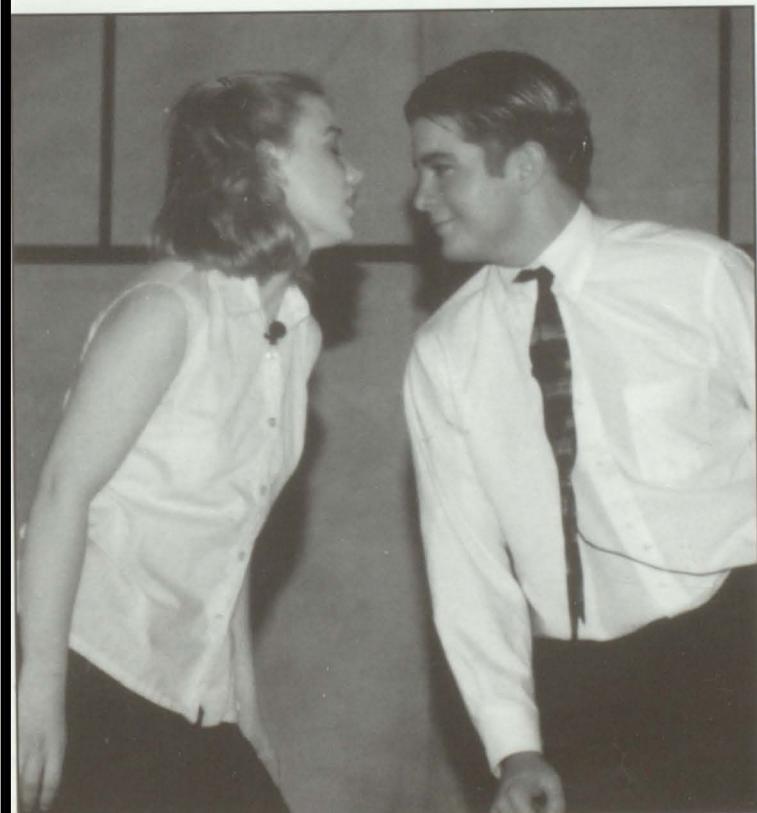


••••• (Bottom left): The picnic brought out everyone's company pride. Elizabeth Faltus, Casee Hagan, and Tere Walitski show their spirit at the company picnic. •••••

••••• (Below right): These two lovebirds prove that no one's love is stronger than theirs. Babe (Mary Ann Gibbs) and Sid (Ryan Conley) try to out sing each other to show their affection. •••••

"It was a lot of fun to do a show set in the fifties."

-Joe Garner



CAST, CREW and PHT

Sid ... Ryan Conley
Babe ..Mary Ann Gibbs
Hines ...CJ Gaughn
Gladys..Nicole Honerkamp
Prez....Jeff Pelch
Mabel..Jenny Riley
Hasler..Brian Kauling
MaeRuth Mueller
Poopsie ..Megan Dudzik
Brenda ..Allison Hill
MaxCurtis McKay
Virginia ..Sara Braxmeier
PopSteve Winkeler
RitaKatie Friederich
Charley ..Kevin Zimmer
Carmen ..Katy Biver
JoeJohn Pajares
MaraSuzanne Heinzl
DelRalph Moran
PatMary Reiter
LeroyChris Jordan
MaryCasee Hagan
BobMatt Warchol
Sandra ...Anni Peduzzi
JimJoe Garner
AugieTere Wolitski
EddieBryan Bollman
BettyElizabeth Faltus
AnnKatie Warchol
LindaMechelle Heywood
DorisRenee Polka
KathyStacy Singh
Mordea...Keisha Taylor
Norma ...Amber Wondolowski
Colleen ...Jenni Tucci
JudySara Shaffer
Sharon ...Angela Tammons
SaraLillie Yociss
LoisAmber Walker
Shirley ...Melissa Sheils
Christine .Katie Reed
JoyceLauren Friederich
DottieRenata Obal
JanDia Herring
JaneDiona Herring
JanetDiAndra Herring
DirectorElaine Laws
Conductor..Greg Townsend
Stage Mgr. .Bridget Weir
Dance Captain ..Katy Biver
Light Technicians:
.....Allen Gilbert
.....Kayce Anderson
Sound Technician:
.....Mike Utnage
Set Construction:
.....Laura Stoeber
.....Jessica Vick
Curtain:
.....Laura Johnston
Pit Orchestra:
...Elizabeth Schickendanz
...Laura Cheatham
...Melanie Kozak
...BJ Jordan
...Eileen Ostermeier
...John Williams
...Rebecca Diak
...James Childers
...Jim Pajares
...Dan Ostermeier
...Adam Hucke
... Nathan Tebbe
...Charlie Bourrage
... Annie Goepfert
... Steve Bolen
... Eric Kohn

Recognizing Excellence

HONORS BANQUET

Every spring Althoff acknowledges their honor students in a banquet held at Fischer's Restaurant. This year, on April 19, administrators, faculty, family and students came together to celebrate hard work, achievement and obtained success.

This year almost 250 Althoff students made the High Honor Roll and were recognized with

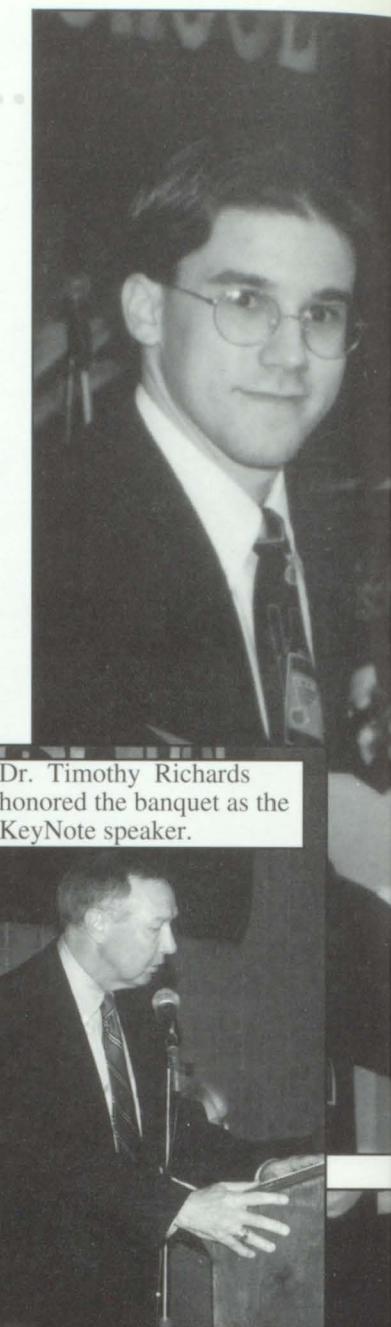
certificates. In addition, 73 students were inducted into the National Honor Society.

Under the direction of Ms. Carrie Mueller, the National Honor Society honors academic excellence and personal achievement. The induction process included receiving certificates, lighting candles and taking the National Honor

Society Pledge.

Also present at the banquet was Dr. Timothy Richards, a member of the McKendree faculty and an Althoff parent who reflected on the continuance of education and the love of knowledge.

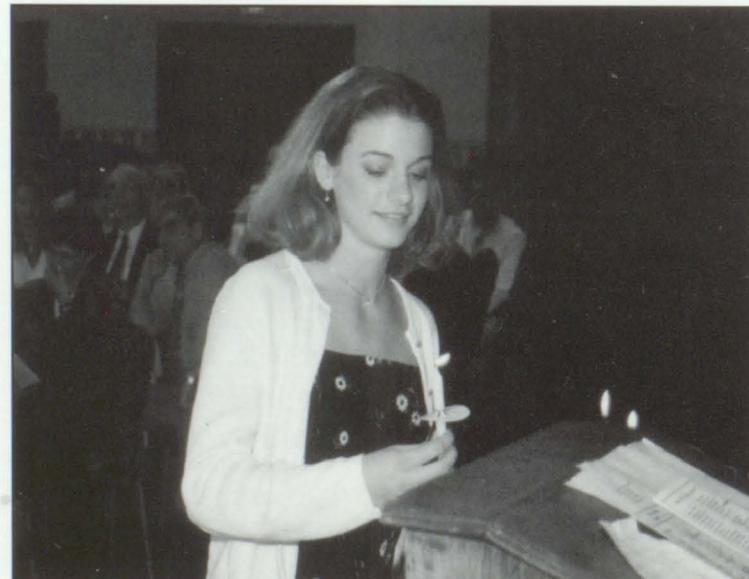
As in previous years, the banquet provided a wonderful evening in which hard work and dedication were honored.



Dr. Timothy Richards honored the banquet as the KeyNote speaker.

• (Above): Joined by their family and friends, Asian Udoeh, Amber Walker, and Crystal Moore wait for the awards program to begin.

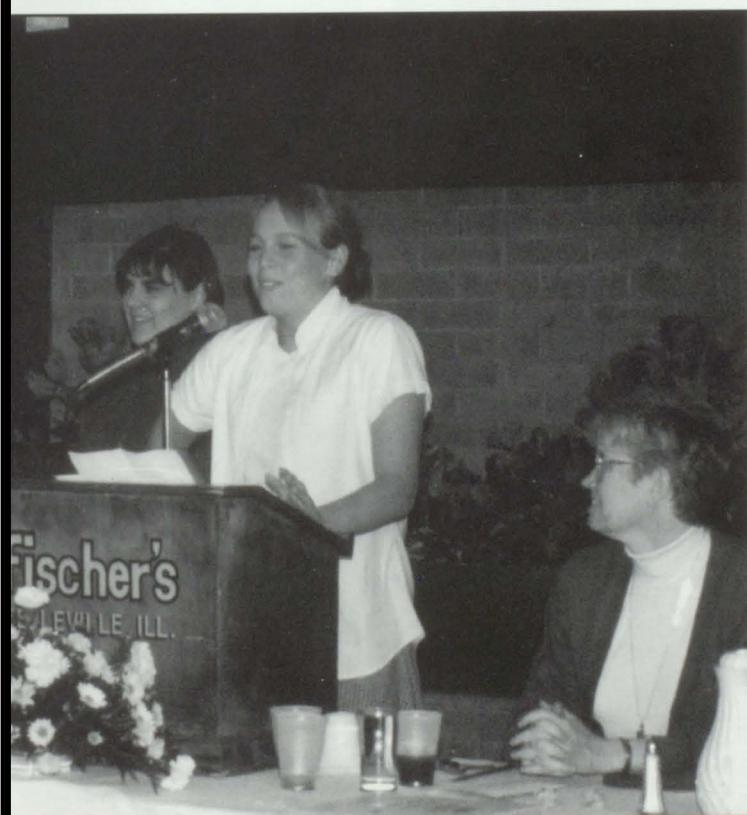
• (Right): As part of the induction ceremony, Maria Farhner lights her National Honor Society candle, signifying her responsibilities and goals as a NHS member.





• • • • • (Left): Congratulating him on his achievement, Sr. Jan presents Nick Woolery with his certificate.

• • • • • (Below): Along with their families, Mary Reiter, Jamie Dahm, and Melanie Kozak enjoy their dinner at Fischer's.



• • • • • (Above): Finishing their meal before the ceremony begins, Juthamash Ngamaroonchote, Nikki Martinez, Erin Theis, Tiffany Foeller, and Lindsay Kolb gather for the presentations.

• • • • • (Left): Reflecting on her memories from childhood and providing advice for incoming NHS members, Christina Meddows speaks to the crowd.

One Final Walk UNDER THE STARS

Senior year had almost come to an end, but the class of 1998 would not let it fade away without one big party to remember. On May 1st, over 200 students gathered at the Adam's Mark Hotel in St. Louis for *A Walk Under the Stars*.

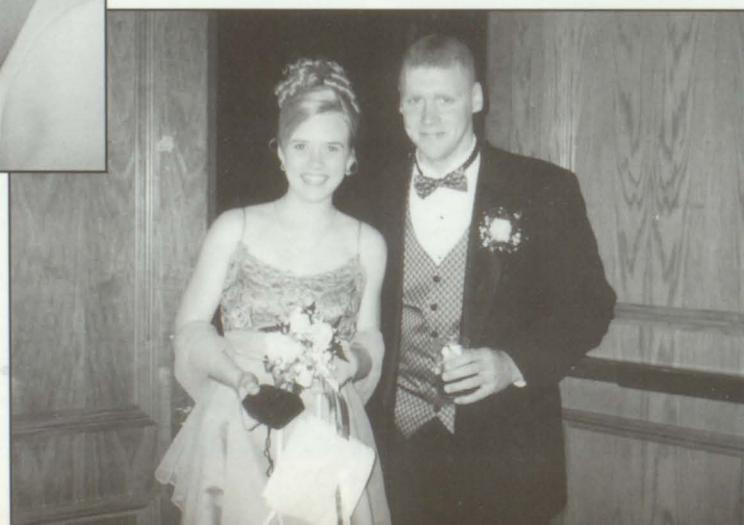
Under the Stars

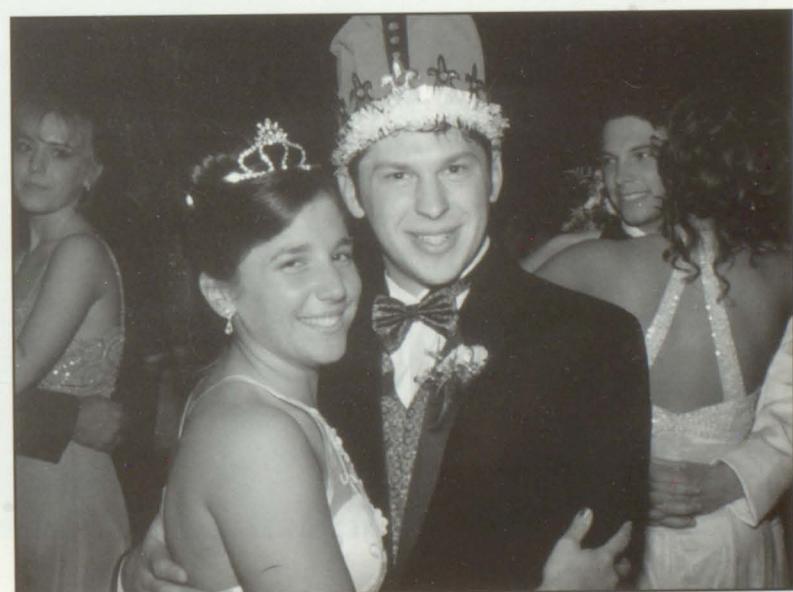
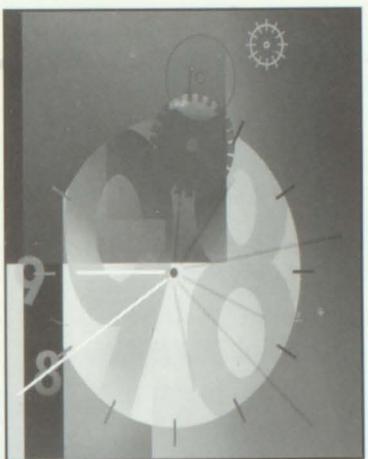
The 1998 Althoff Prom began at seven o'clock with a three course meal, then the seniors danced the night away to the music provided by the DJ. At nine o'clock, the court was presented and Laura Schumacher was crowned Prom Queen and Keith Karban Prom King.

When the dance was over, everyone headed over to St. Clair Bowl for the after prom party. The Seniors participated in many games and bowling where they could earn money to use at the auction.

Like all good things, the 1998 Prom and after prom had come to an end. Everyone left with precious memories and some left with great prizes from the auction. All of the experiences and memories will be cherished as the class of '98 looks back on their special.....

Walk Under the Stars.





Four Years of Hard Work Pay Off

GRADUATION

The anxiety that filled the air of the grade school cafeteria was felt by most seniors. Last minute pins to hold their caps in place, straightening stoles and quick hugs of good luck generated plenty of activity as the seniors lined up to parade into the graduation ceremony.

For some, the ceremony was a recognition of four long

years of hard work. Others felt that freshmen year couldn't have been but two weeks ago. All experienced the jubilation of proudly walking up to receive their diploma as an end to one chapter of their lives and a beginning of the next.

Whatever the emotion the significance held for the seniors individually, it was a good-bye

and good luck for all.

Diplomas were distributed, tassels moved, and honors recognized. For most, the end of high school merely marked the beginning of more schools. For others, it marked the beginning of the working world.

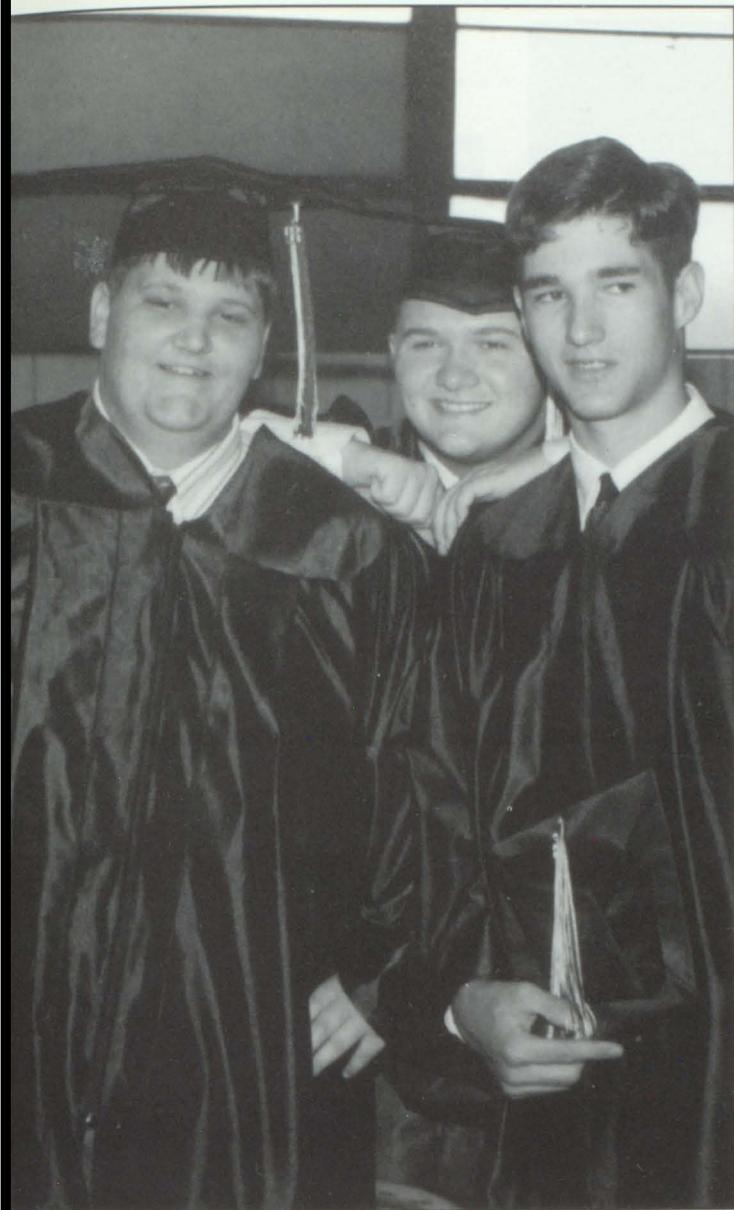
Congratulations class of '98. Best wishes and good luck at whatever your dreams may be.



• (Above): Althoff seniors worked for four years to graduate. This group walks over to the Cathedral to process in.

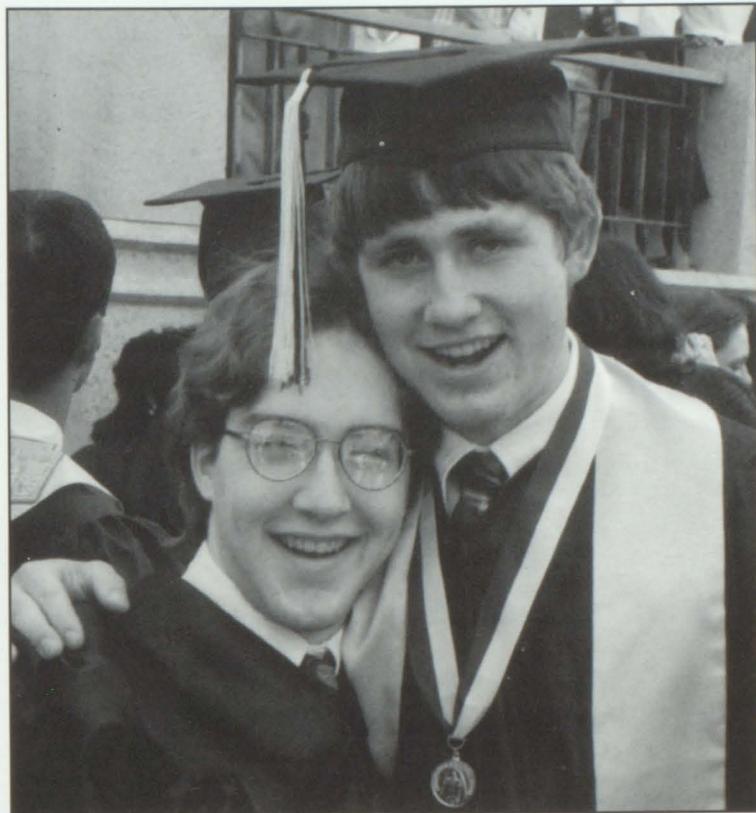
• (Right): Seniors aren't the only ones who dress up for the ceremony. Mr. Orlet and Mrs. Newton pause for the camera before graduation. Looking good!





• (Left): High school friends are remembered throughout life. Matt Kreeb, Scott Keck, Greg Cueto, and Ben Eichenseer pose one last time together as high school students.

• (Below): These two graduates have something to smile about... their diplomas! Congratulations Matt Schmidt and Mike Dueker!

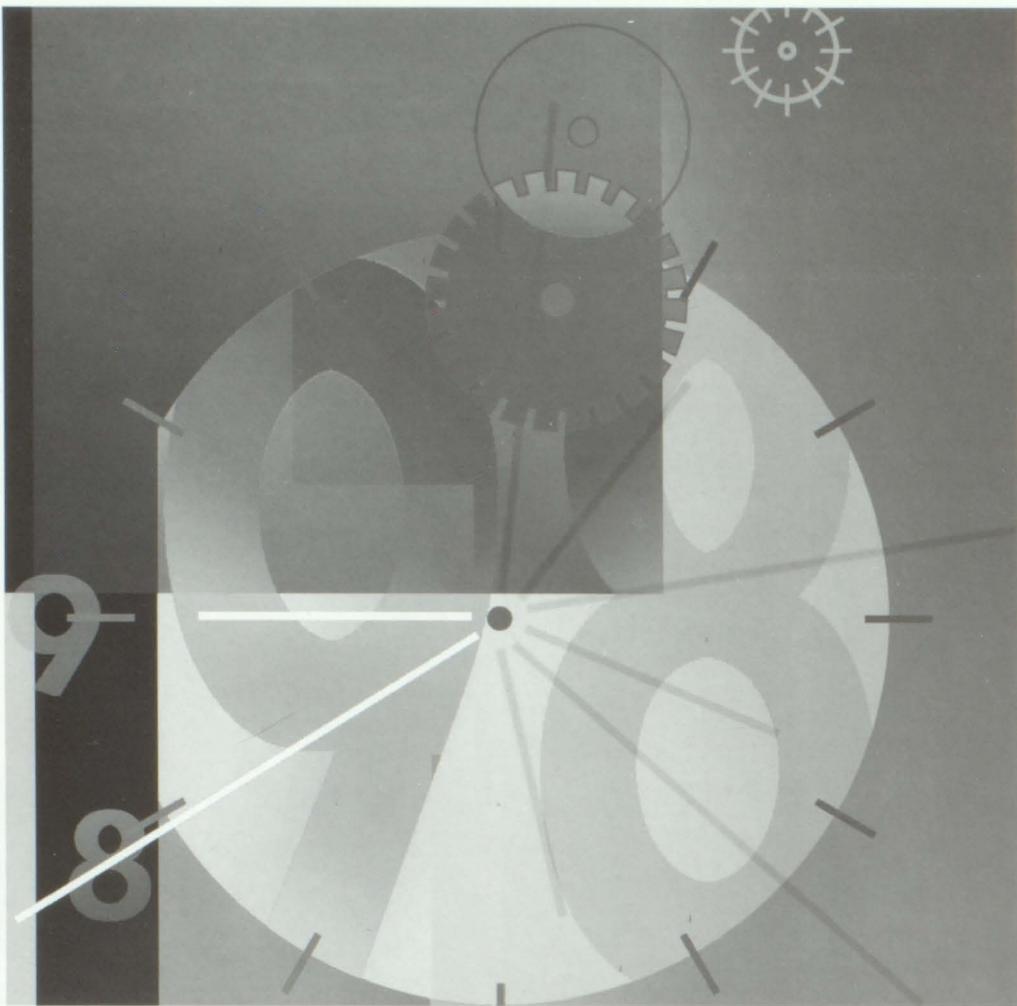


• (Far left): Jeremy Beshears looks on as Amanda Wangler helps Kristin Richards secure her collar.

• (Left): Four years of hard work led Nicole Honerkamp to the top of the class of 1998. Her speech at graduation captured the feelings of many graduates.

"We did it! Yeah Class of '98! We're going to Florida!"

-Natalie Bellm
Class of '98



There's all of pleasure and all of peace
 In a friend or two;
And all your troubles may find release
 Within a friend or two;
It's in the grip of the sleeping hand
 On native soil or in alien land,
But the world is made—do you understand—
 Of a friend or two.
A little laughter; perhaps some tears
 With a friend or two;
The days, the weeks, and the months and years
 With a friend or two;
A vale to cross and a hill to climb,
 A mock at age and a jeer at time;
The prose of life takes the lilt of rhyme
 With a friend or two.

—Wilbur D. Nesbit

SENIORS

A Time to Remember



FRINGE BENEFITS

After Putting In the Time

As the underclassmen know seniors seem to get all the benefits. From early dismissal to first floor lockers, all these fringe benefits are apt to make one a little jealous - however, anyone who has survived Sr. Leach's high expectations, experienced drivers ed., and can handle a part time job, too - deserves a little something extra.

Their day begins opening their first floor lockers. That's right - no lugging backpacks, soccer bags, or jackets up two flights of stairs. They do not have to worry about tripping up the stairs, either.

Anyone who has felt the

growl of an empty stomach by 1:01 (C3) can appreciate the hearty meal that the seniors ate - two hours ago! Not only do they get to eat early, but leave early too! While the rest of us bear the early summer heat, the seniors are already enjoying their summer vacation.

At the end of the school year, the underclassmen can look forward to a brief vacation and another school year. Seniors, on the other hand, are looking forward to college! Ahh, the freedom, the independence, and the glory of college life. No more nagging parents, curfews, home cooked meals, or clean laundry - well, maybe high school life is not too bad after all!



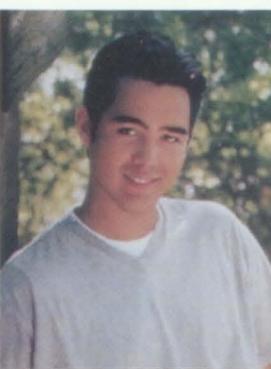
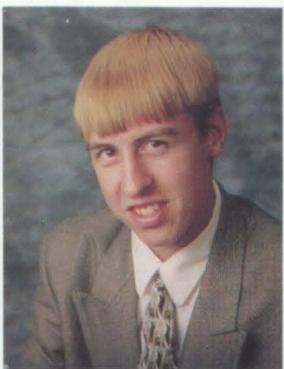
- Thumbs up! Seniors relax as they
- enjoy one of their many fringe
- benefits, the earliest lunch.

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Amos, Samuel W.
Anderson, Kayce
Bailey, Aaron

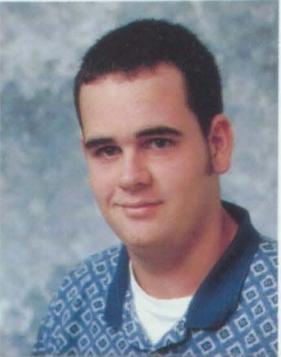


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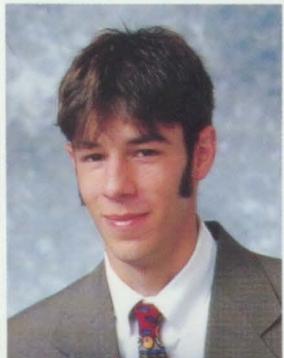
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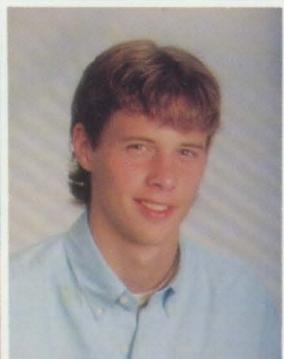
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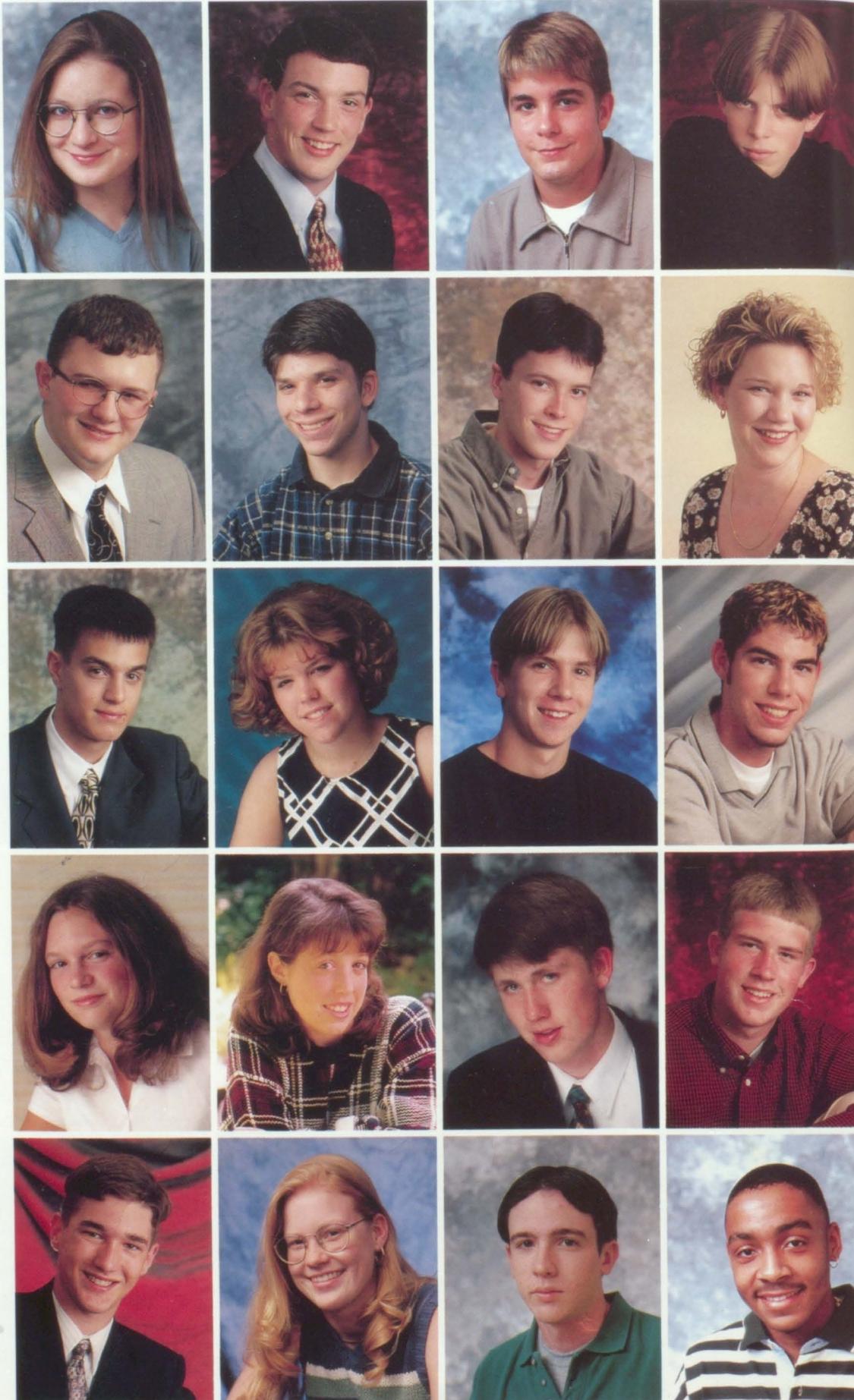


Boyle, Leslie Elizabeth
Brady, Brian
Brown, Keith
Buettner, Janelle



Campbell, Nicole
Cannady, Adam
Carron, Joshua
Chapman, Vanae

Cheatham, Laura
Colbert, Matthew
Conley, Ryan
Costello, Joseph





CLOCKING In

Dating, movies, parties, clothes, concert tickets, body piercing... where does all this money come from? When parents stop doling out the cash, teenagers feel the pain of empty pockets. This leads to a frantic search for part-time employment to revive the cash flow.

While some take a more traditional route, others end up in more unconventional places. Some jobs lead to future careers, others are just temporary. But no matter where you work, after school jobs help prepare students for life in the real world.

• (Upper left) An actress's work is never done. Jill Schroeder plays dead while acting in a public service announcement at Six Flags.

• Atten-Hut! Private Allen Gilbert and Private Jose Castorena are enlisted and ready to go to Army Basic Training.

• (Upper right) Paper or Plastic? Brian Culp spends his evenings as a bagger at the local Schnucks.

"The Army has been a life long dream. And it's money for school." -Allen Gilbert



Foeller, Tiffany
Frierdich, Jason
Gansmann, Jeffrey
Gasaway, Jessica

Getz, Terry
Gibbs, Mary Ann
Gilbert, Allen
Gomez, Maximino

HIDDEN Talents

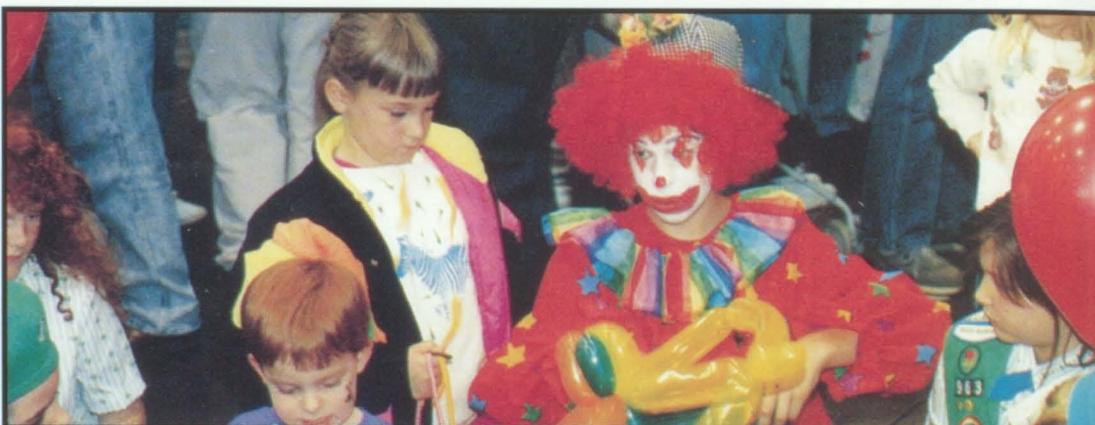
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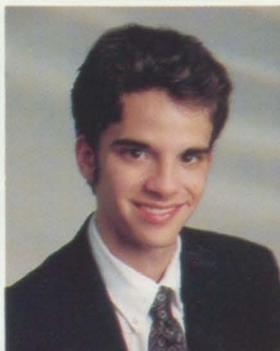
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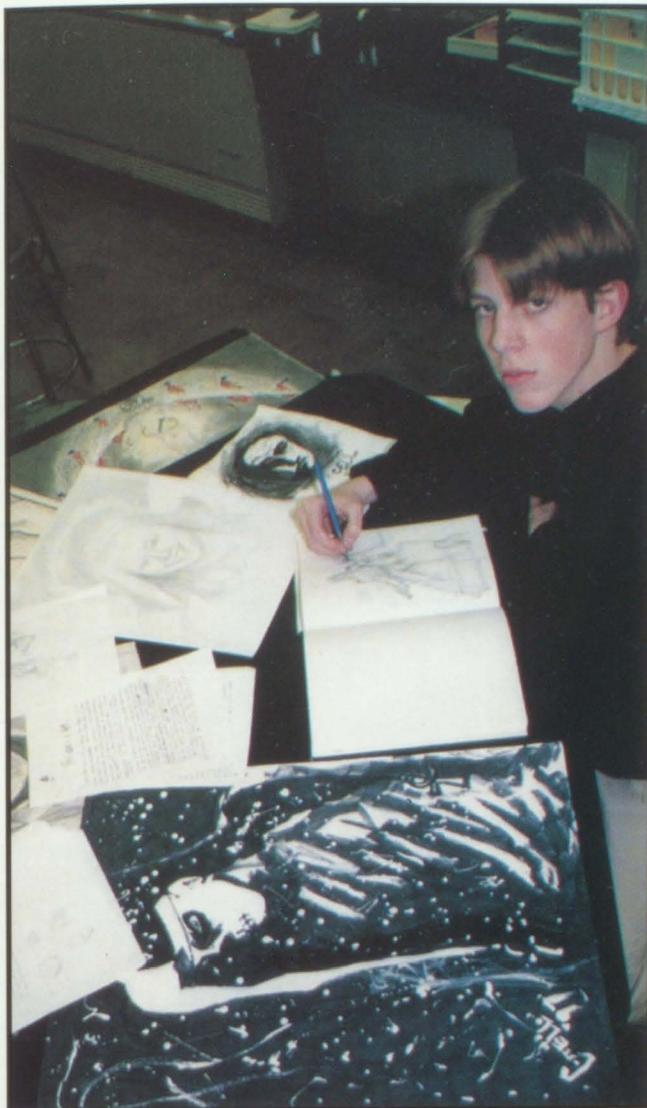


Gray, Tralonda Nicole
Greenfield, Laura
Greiff, Anne
Gutierrez, Gilbert



Guy, Bonita
Haas, Crystal
Hayden, Jim
Heffernan, Mark





Every person has some type of talent hidden inside of them. It is no different for our seniors. So we have singled out four of the class of '98's most gifted students. These graduates really shine when they reveal their abilities.

Angie Schrader tickles the ivories with her gift of music. She has been playing since the third grade. When asked why she enjoys playing the piano so much she responded, "I can play how I feel. I express how I feel through playing."

Clowning around is Keith Karban's specialty. He enjoys making people laugh and really knows how to put on a show with his great personality and outgoing spirit.

A wonderful dancer, Katy Biver really has the moves. Katy has been dancing since she was five. She passes her talents on by teaching children ballet. Katy has been competing since the second grade and when asked what she enjoys the most, she said, "I like to compete because I like to win!"

This artist can turn anything into a beautiful creation. When Joe Costello picks up a pencil, you are bound to see a masterpiece.

To the rest of the school, these gifts may not be obvious. But flourishing inside of these four seniors lies a pianist, a clown, a dancer, and an artist. It is amazing what you'll find if you take the time to notice.



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Henry, Timothy
Hepp, Lisa
Herbeck, Kimberly



Hill, Allison
Holland, Jo-Lindsay
Holland, Tiffany
Honerkamp, Nicole

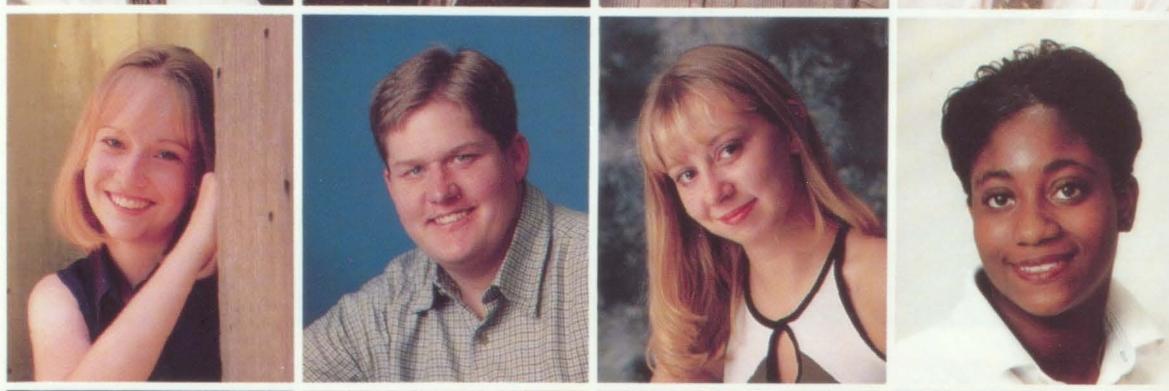
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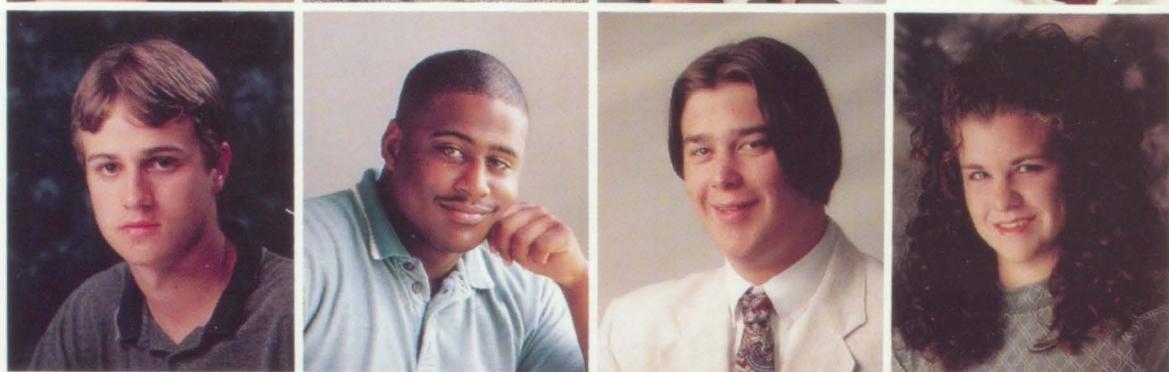
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Keck, Scott



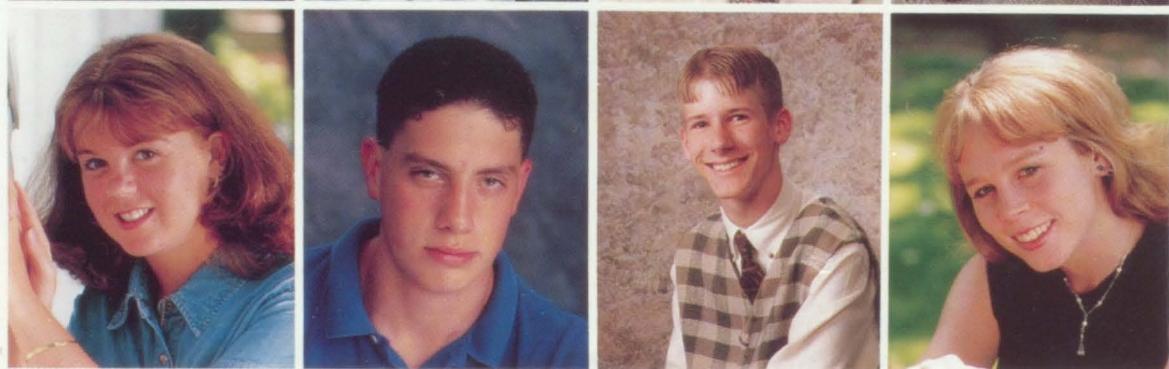
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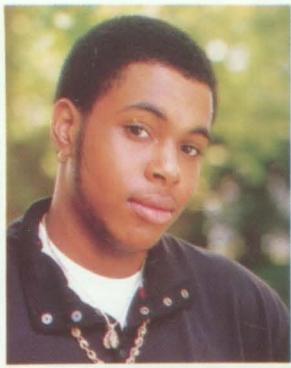
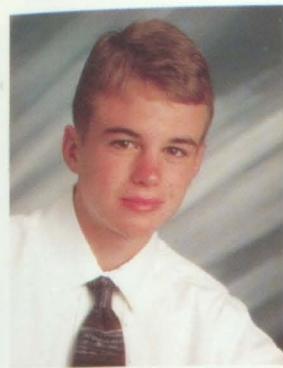


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Luckey, Gregory
Malaschak, Ryan
Martinez, Nicolle



Mayberry, Megan Celeste
McCann, Patrick J.
McKay, Curtis P.
Meddows, Christina Kay





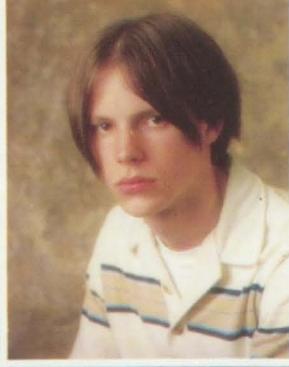
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Miller, Timothy



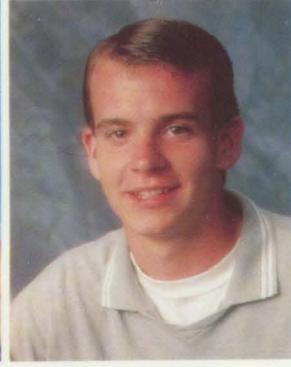
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Orlet, Joseph

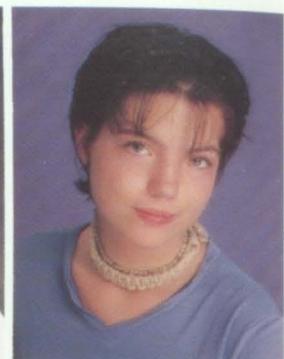
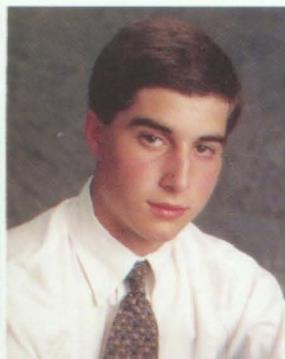


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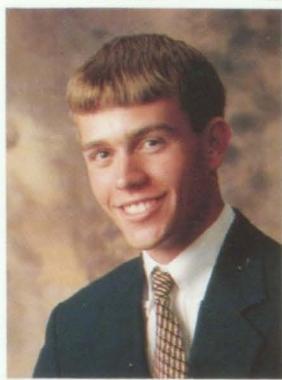


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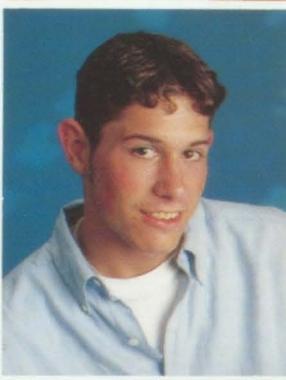
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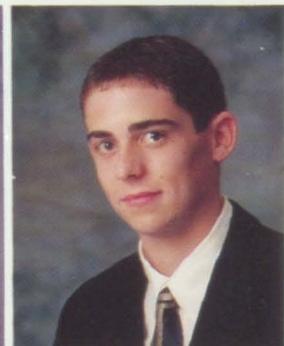
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Schaefer, Shannon Marie
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Schmidt, Matthew



Schmieder, Derek
Schrader, Angela
Schroeder, Jill
Schubert, Bryan



TIME
Travelers



Looking back as the clock counts down the final seconds of our senior year, we remember the changes. We have seen changes in the school, in the faculty, and in ourselves. Freshman year we put on our bravest faces and marched triumphantly through the halls...then we tripped up the stairs. Older, bigger students ran us over in the hall and sent our towers of books flying across the floor.

As time went by, we became the older, wiser students. We went to formal dances together. We got in trouble...and sometimes got away with things.

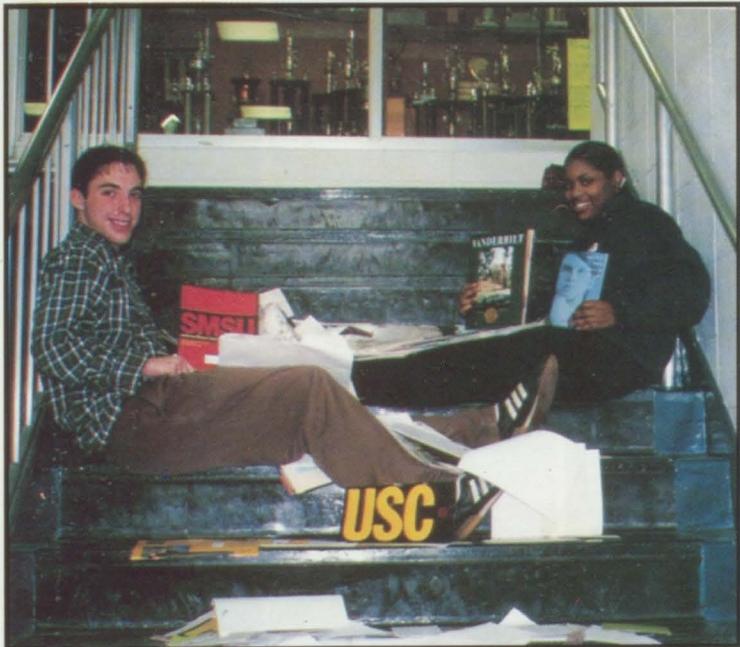
So, as we look ahead to our lives beyond graduation, we see that the changes we have made in

ourselves have made us better as individuals. We are now looking forward to the new changes that await us in the "real world." These changes will keep our lives running...

LIKE
clockwork.

"If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put foundations under them..."

-Henry David Thoreau



"I want to go to college, play soccer, have a good time, and find a gorgeous, terrific girl."

-Chuck Scott

"I would like to go to college and graduate with a bachelor's degree and Ph.D. in engineering."

-Tralonda Gray



- (Top) Having a ball on a Friday night during freshmen year, Kayce Anderson and Liz Beatty build their biceps.
- (Left) Sorting through college mail can be a stressful experience. Chuck Scott and Tralonda Gray explore the endless possibilities.
- (Right) Getting all decked-out for Halloween, Melanie Reiniger, Jamie Sperry, Melissa Bell, and Tara Kimbrell verify that freshmen can appear to be big babies.

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Scott, Charles Edwin



Seibert, Steve
Seipp, Justin
Siegel, Justin
Simonin, Scott L.



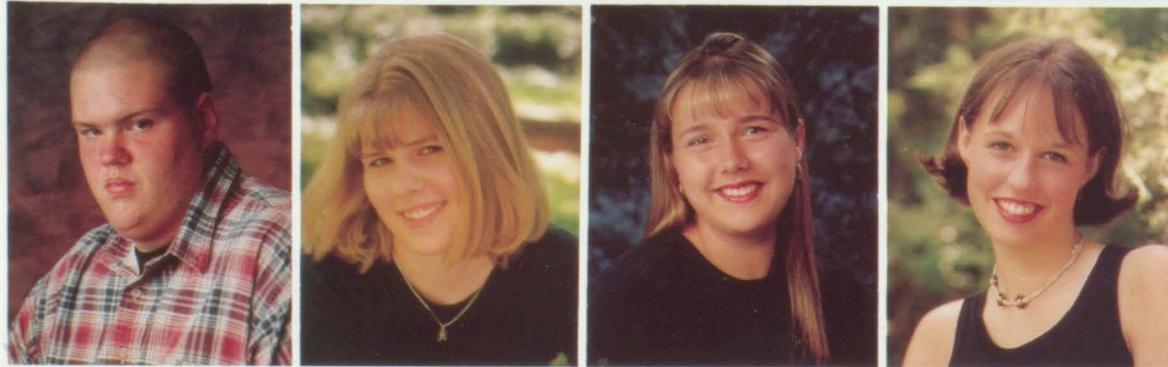
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TIME with friends

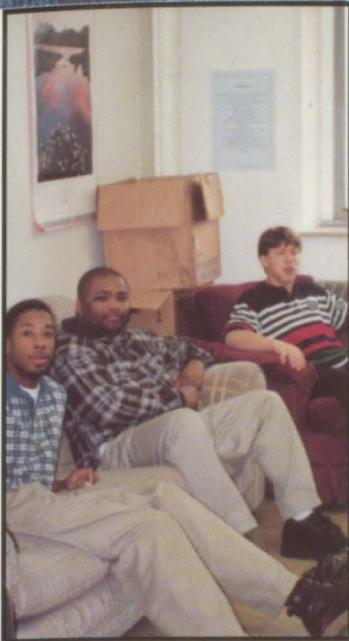
- Campus Ministry is a favorite hangout on the Althoff campus.
- Corey Patterson, Milton Jones, and Terry Getz relax on the couches during lunch.

- Enjoying themselves at St. Louis University, Jennifer Stogner and Anni Peduzzi sit with a new friend.

Whether it's during school, after school, in school, or out of school, the Senior Class of '98 will always find time to spend with friends. Parties, road trips, get togethers, even jobs bring us together. When the school clothes come off and the play clothes go on, it's time to have fun and relax with our amigos.

Andria Stanley says that for fun, she and her buddies party at a friend's house or make trips to laser shows or the St. Louis Arch. When it comes to spending time with her friends, she says "I feel relaxed because I don't have to worry about what anyone thinks."

The time we spend with our friends is important to all of us. It's especially important to us now, because the dear friends we have known for years will not be near much longer.



- Natalie Bellm and Karen Regan make faces at the photo booth in the mall..
- Check out their noserings!

"When I'm with my friends I feel joy bursting through every piece of my body!"

-Carson Menges



Tissier, Amy Patricia
Toennies, Eric
Tribout, Ryan
Valdes, Amee



Van Loo, Connie
Venorsky, Janet Marie
Viviano, Jared
Vogt, Robert

A TIME TO REFLECT

Senior Retreat

As the bus pulled up to the M.A.C. Retreat Center outside of Eureka, Missouri, all the students knew that this was going to be an experience that they would never forget. The next two days were filled with surprises and new experiences.

Friends got the opportunity to bond and people got the chance to make new friends. Time spent in small groups allowed people who do not usually mix the chance to get to know each

other better.

The days were filled with many interesting and diverse activities. Students spent time in large and small groups, watching videos, reflecting about themselves and engaging in creative activities such as Yarn Talk and Butt Basketball.

- Break time! Derek Schmieder, Laura Schumacher, Carrie Bockewitz, and Mary Ann Gibbs, wind down after the day's excitement.



Wagner, Sharon Kathleen

Wangler, Amanda

Weber, Frank

Webster, Jazmin

Weir, Bridget



Whitecotton, Jennifer
Williams, Megan Erin

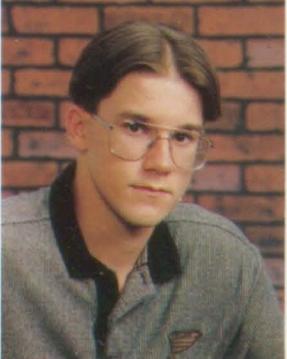
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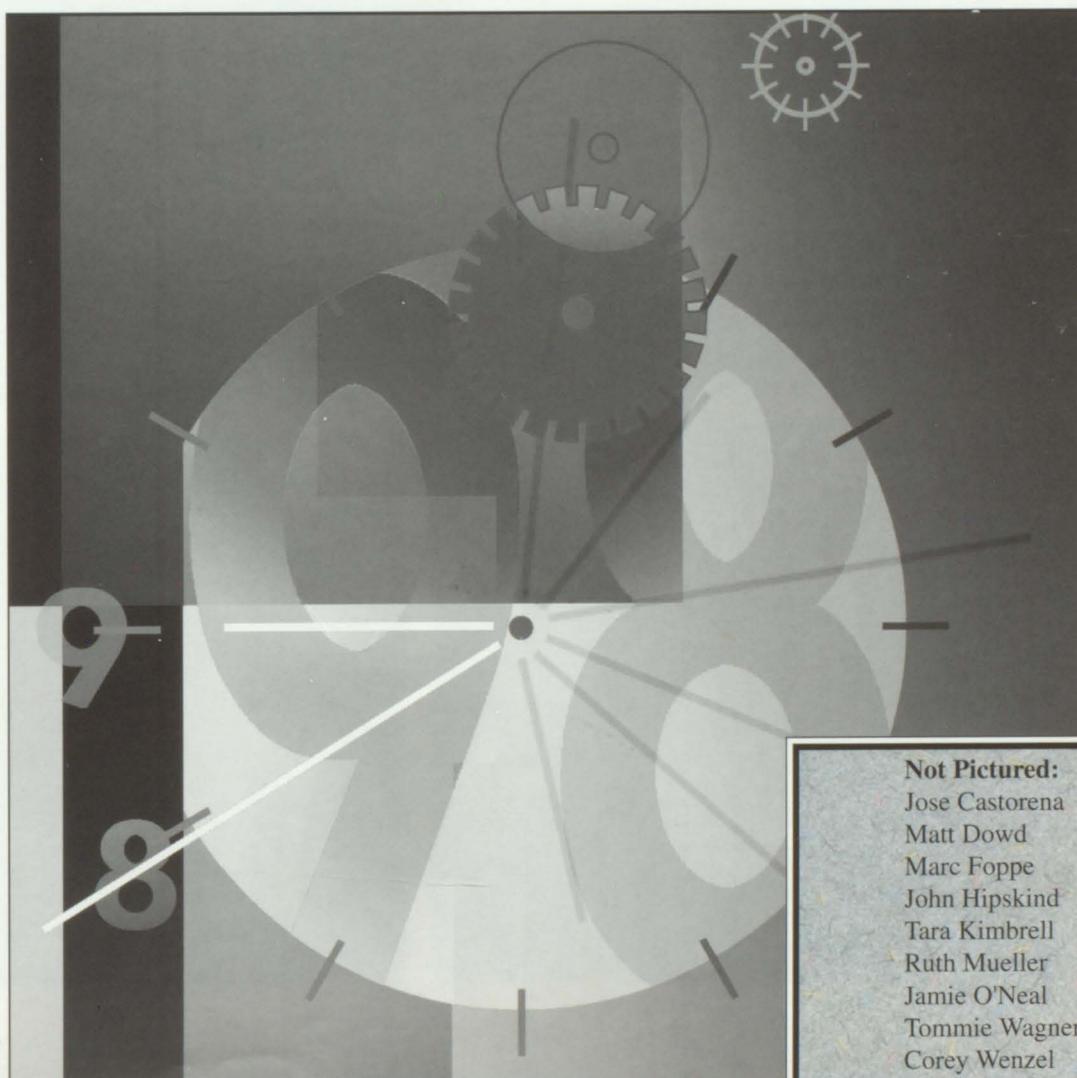
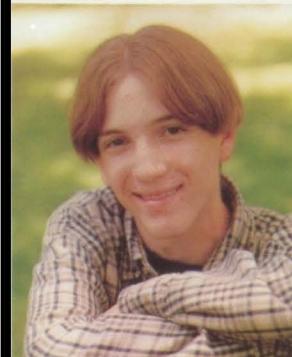
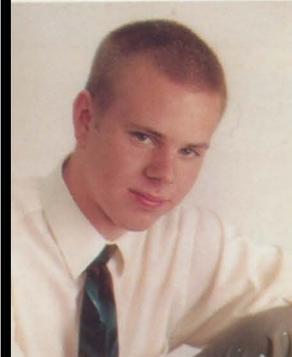
Woolery, Nicholas
York, Timothy
Young, Jennifer R.
Zacharski, Patrick James
Zimmer, Kevin





• Retreat is a time to grow closer to friends. Amanda Wangler and Ashley Bennett enjoy the day's activities.

With all the activities, retreat can keep people busy. During break, Jazmin Webster, Chrissy Rogenski, Jenny Needham, Anne Grieff, and Jill Schroeder clown around in one of the rooms.



Not Pictured:
Jose Castorena
Matt Dowd
Marc Foppe
John Hipskind
Tara Kimbrell
Ruth Mueller
Jamie O'Neal
Tommie Wagner
Corey Wenzel

TIME TO SHINE

Senior Favorites

Senior year presents the best of the best and the worst of the worst.

They have been immortalized whether they like it or not! Their talents and traits and most remarkably, their actions, help to make them significant in the class of

'98.

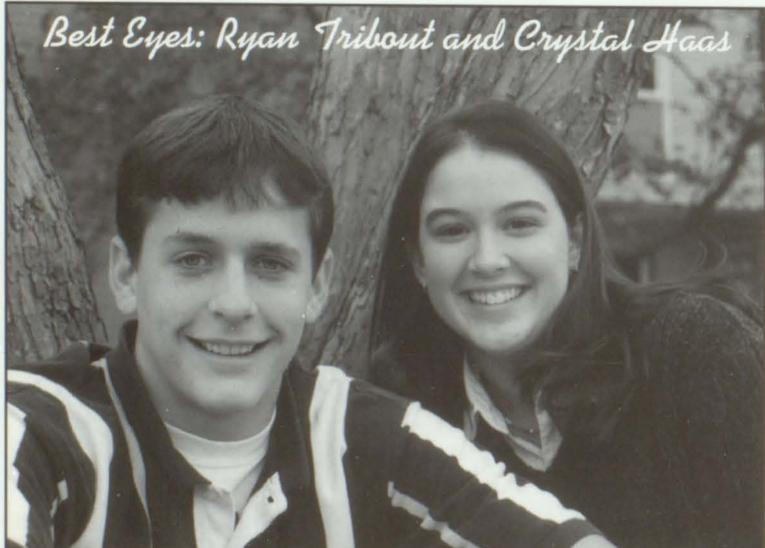
WRITE-INS:

Most Talented: Katy Biver

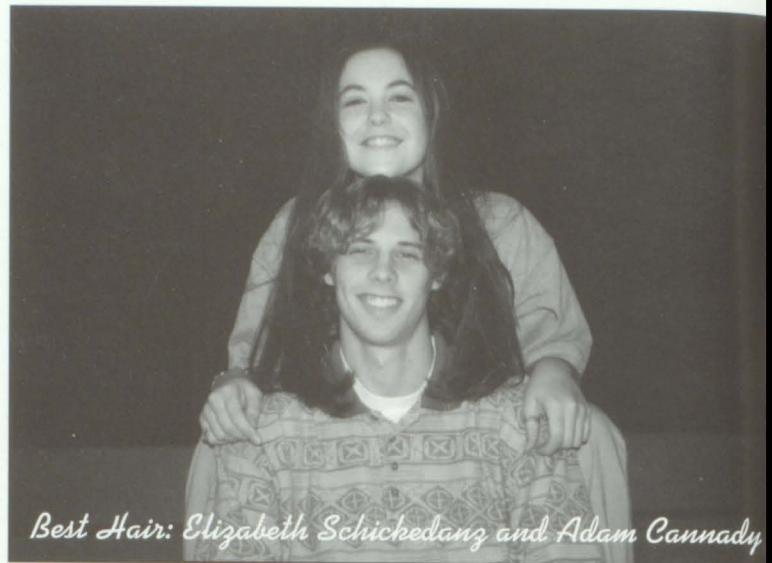
Biggest Redneck: Allen Gilbert

Most Likely to be President:

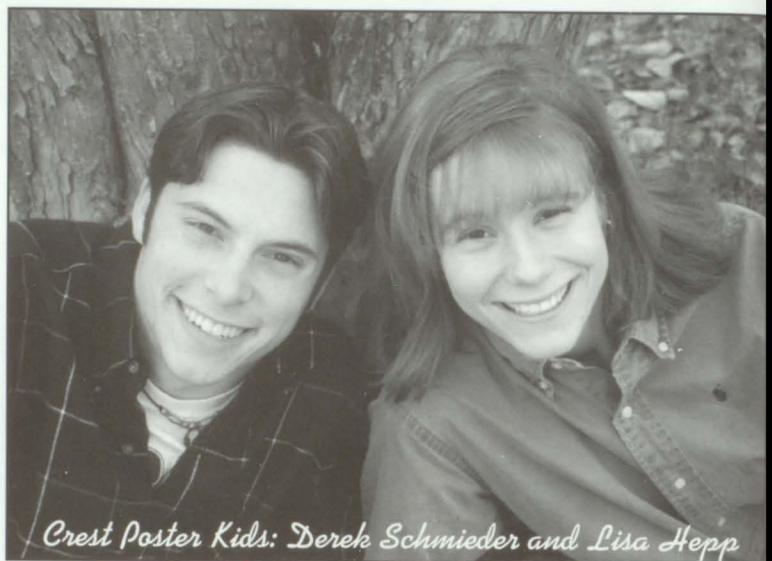
Nicole Martinez



Best Eyes: Ryan Tribout and Crystal Haas



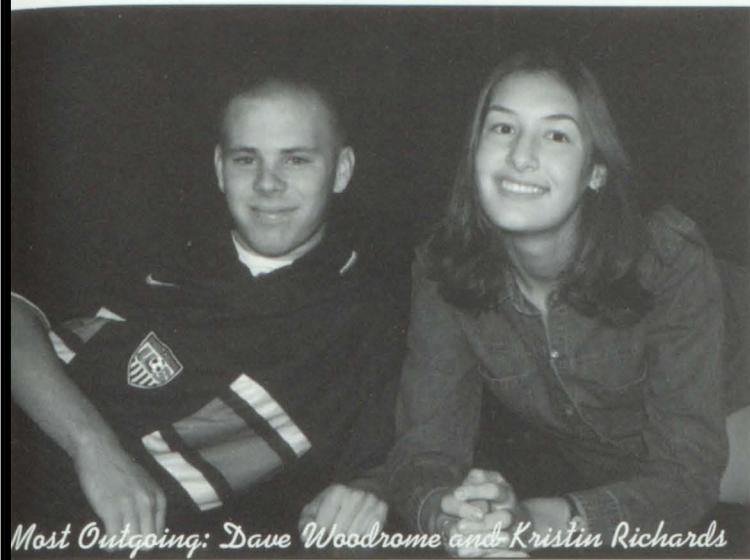
Best Hair: Elizabeth Schickedanz and Adam Cannady



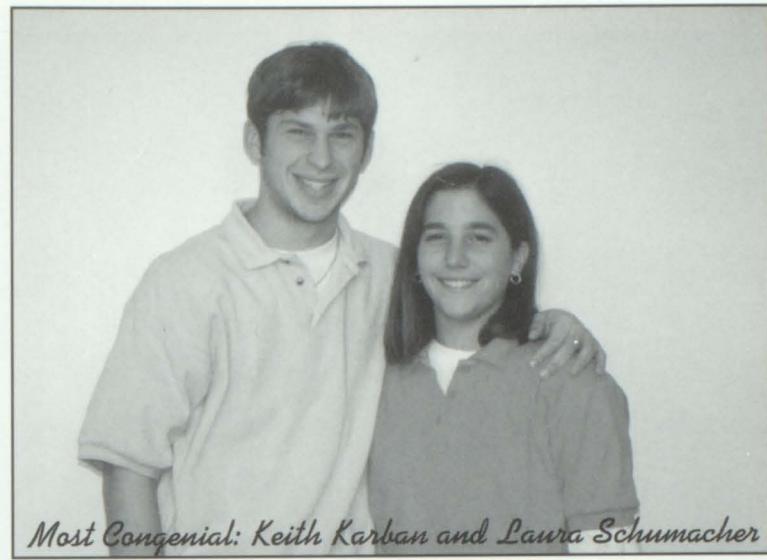
Crest Poster Kids: Derek Schmieder and Lisa Hepp



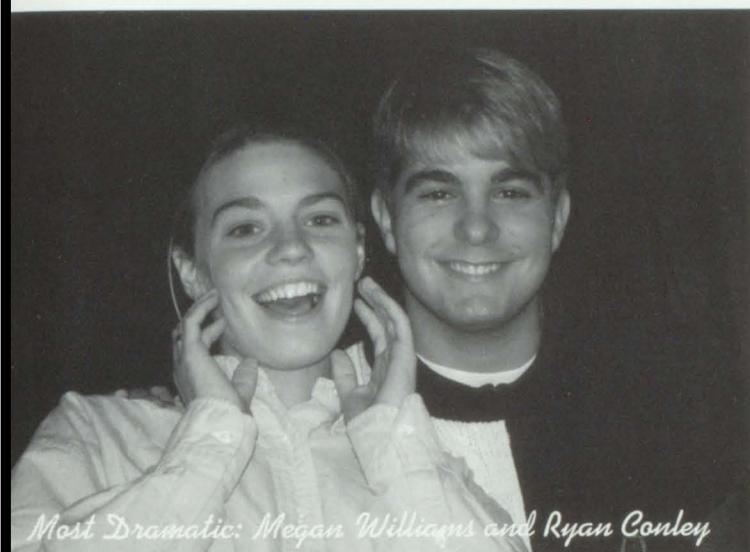
Best Dressed: Michael Merritt and Shannon Schaefer



Most Outgoing: Dave Woodrome and Kristin Richards



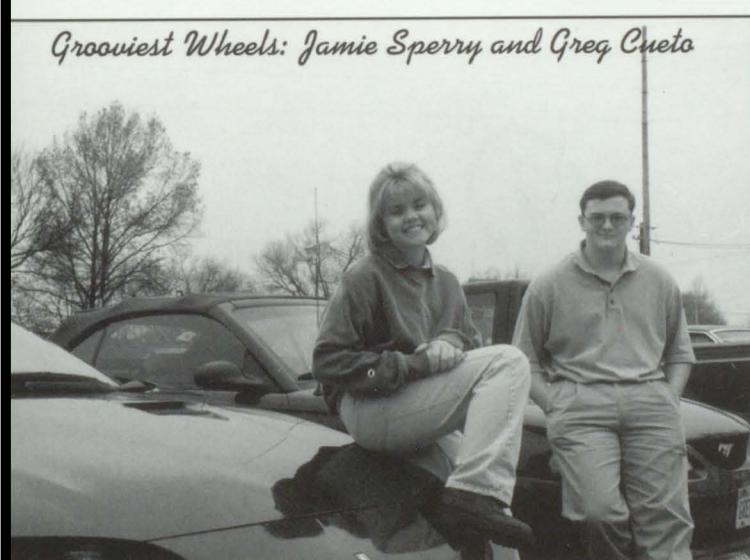
Most Congenial: Keith Karban and Laura Schumacher



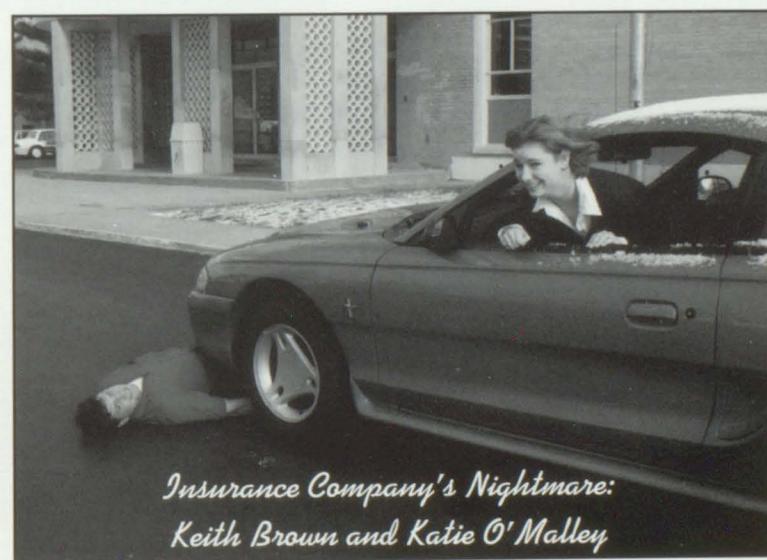
Most Dramatic: Megan Williams and Ryan Conley



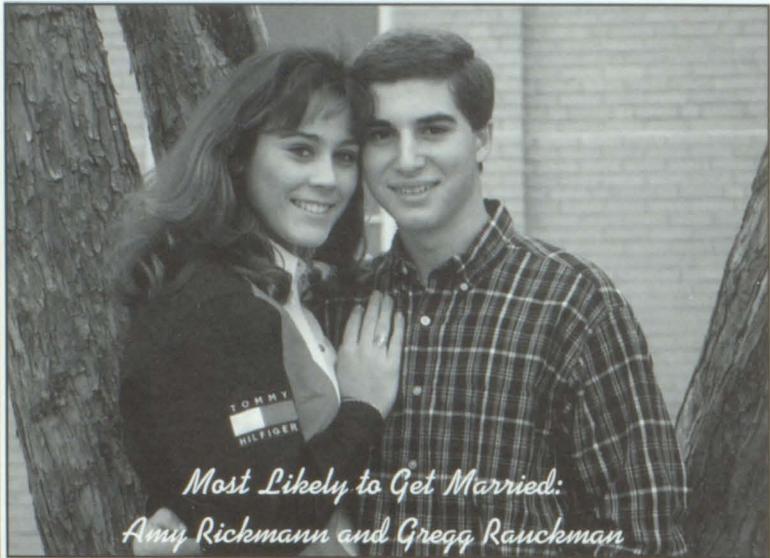
Most Musical: Ruth Mueller and Stephen Bolen



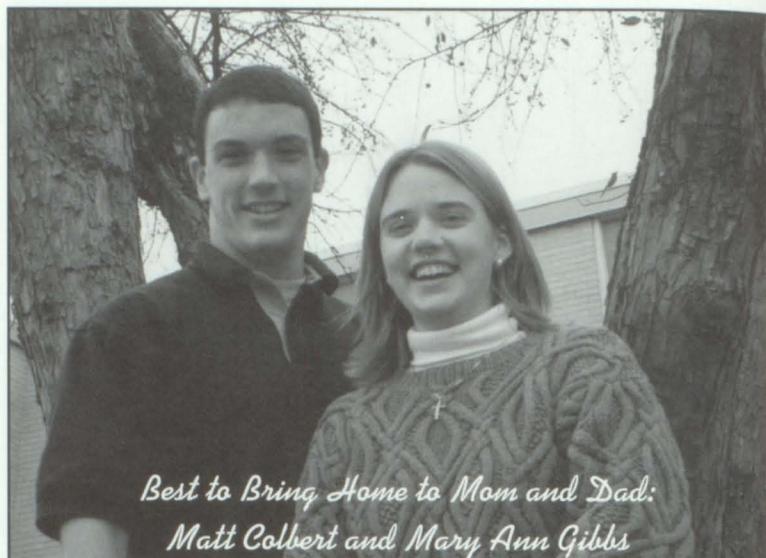
Grooviest Wheels: Jamie Sperry and Greg Cueto



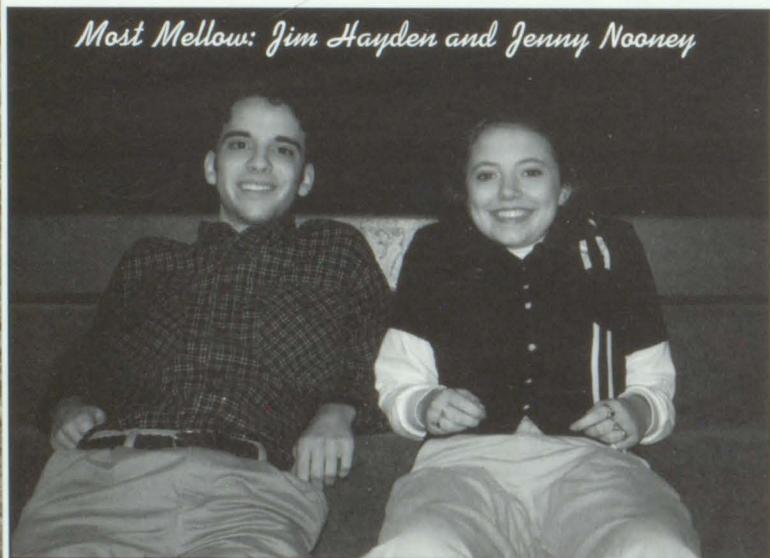
*Insurance Company's Nightmare:
Keith Brown and Katie O'Malley*



*Most Likely to Get Married:
Amy Rickmann and Gregg Rauckman*



*Best to Bring Home to Mom and Dad:
Matt Colbert and Mary Ann Gibbs*



Most Mellow: Jim Hayden and Jenny Nooney



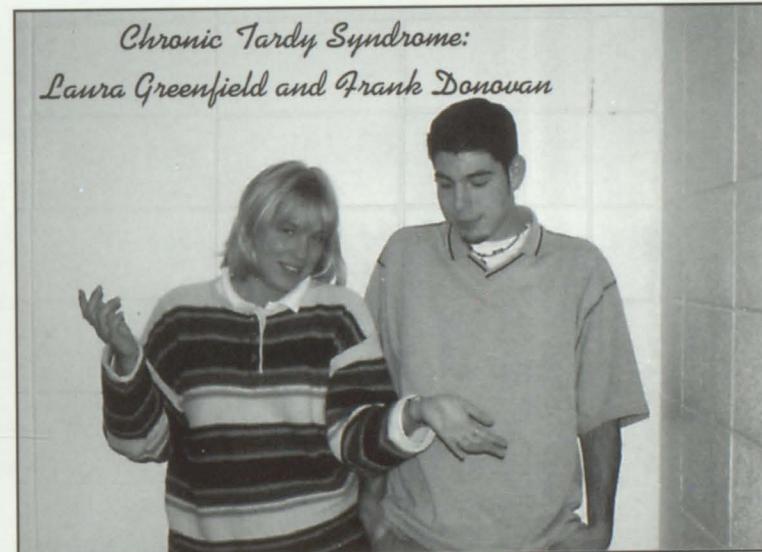
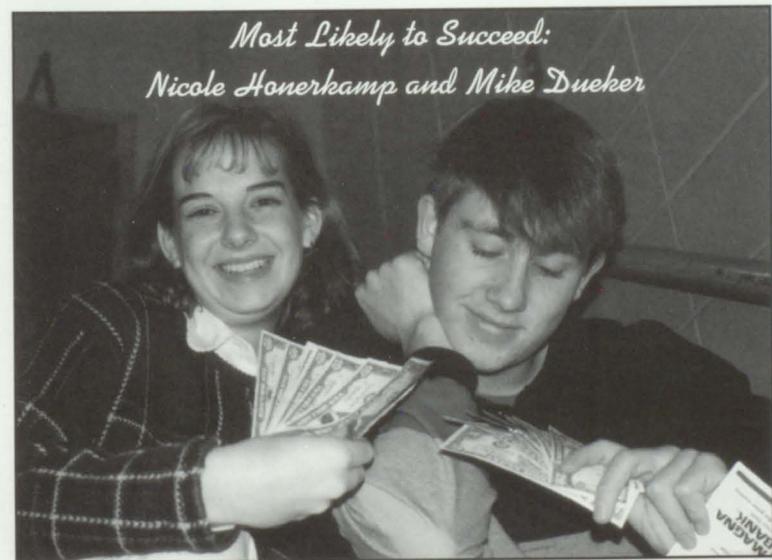
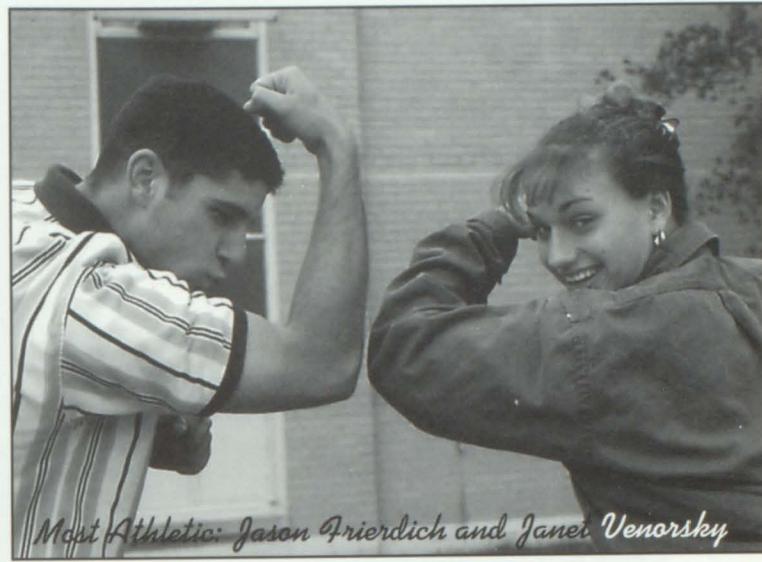
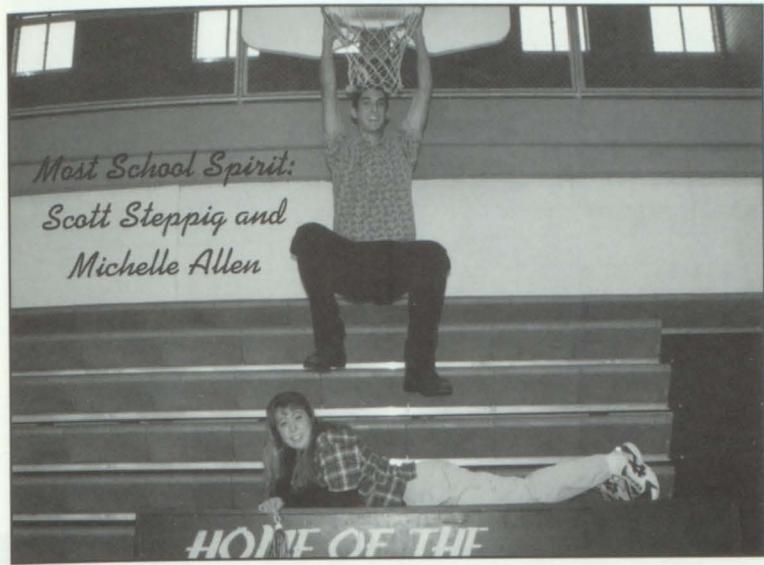
Most Original: Natalie Bellm and Matt Schmidt



Biggest Flirt: Kara Schumacher and Matt Biegler



*Best Legs: Ashley Bennett,
Chuck Scott, and Suzanne Neville*





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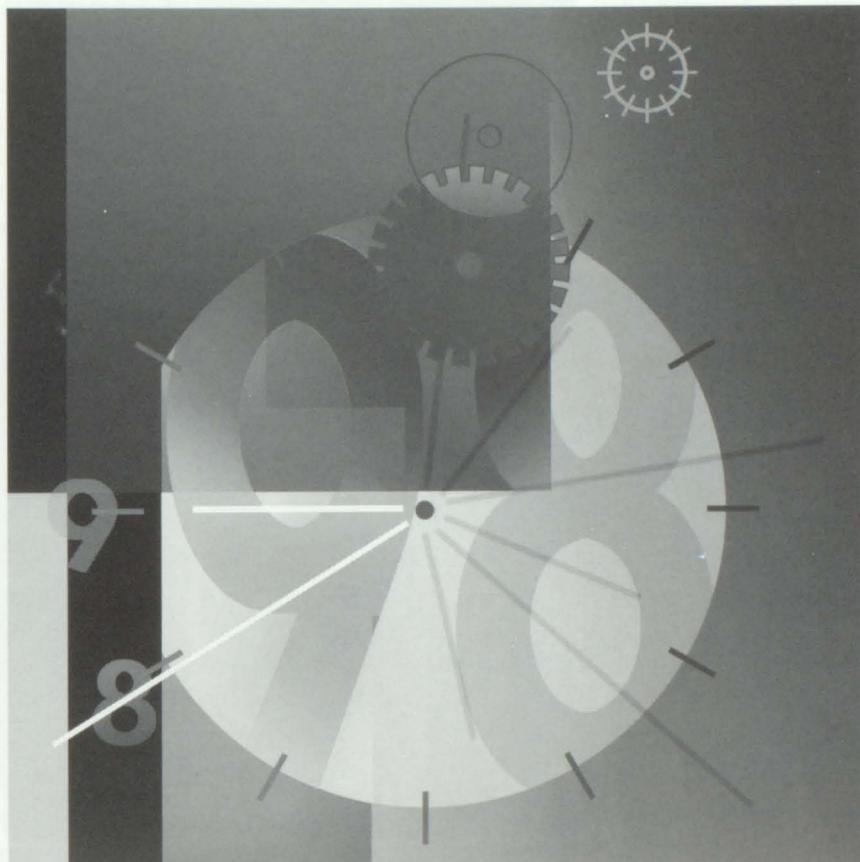
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IN THE TIMES TO *COME*



Sophomores 60-65

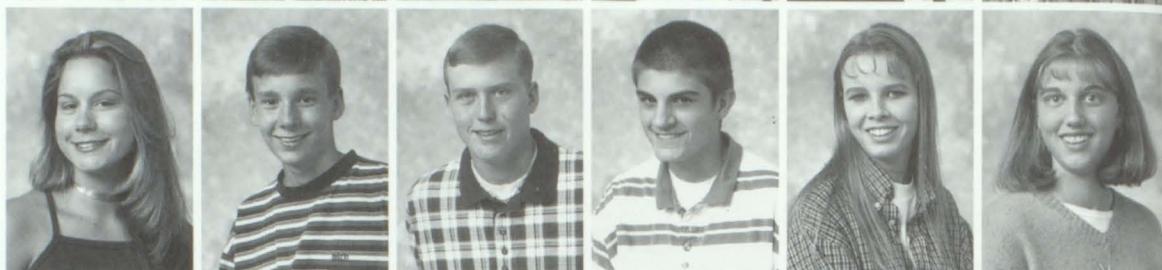


UNDERCLASSMEN *Portraits*

Abbott, Timothy
Albers, Kristin
Alexander, Jon
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Arndt, Paul



Bauer, Jane
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Beever, James
Benyr, Shaun
Biggins, Kristin
Bisso, Rebecca



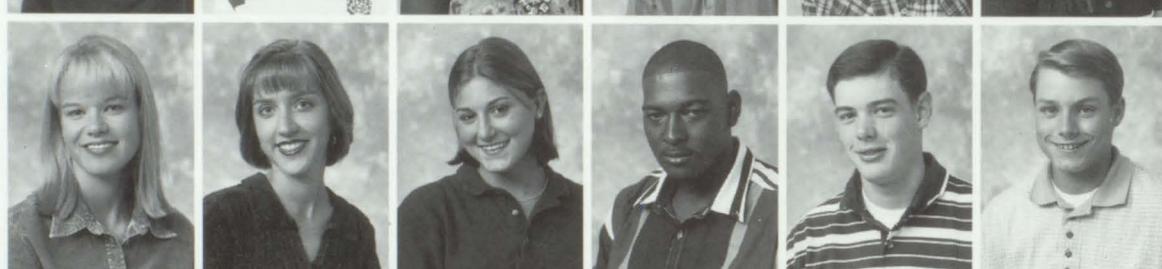
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Boron, Christopher
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Cadell, Melissa



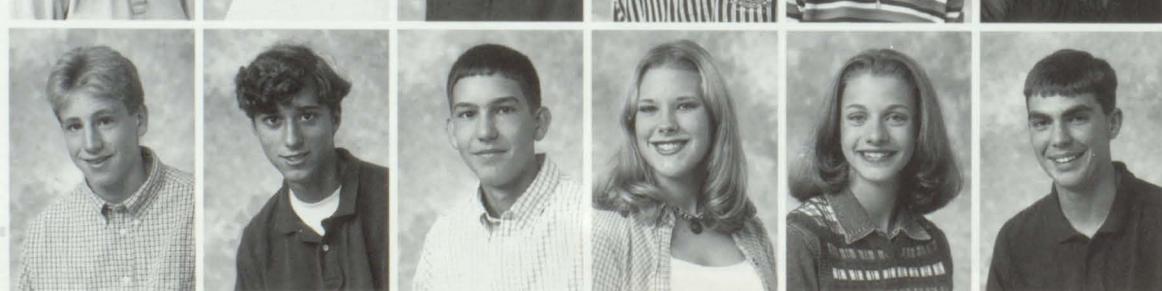
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Clayton, Kenneth
Cole, Ryan
Connor, Ryan



Dahm, Jamie
Demond, David
Diekemper, Jason
Dintelman, Blake
Dragich, Jennifer
Eilerman, Tricia



Embrich, Michael
Emig, Adam
English, John
Evansco, Bonnie
Fahrner, Maria
Fahrner, Stephen



Junior CLIQUES

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ention the word "clique" to any normally talkative Althoff Student and the first thing you will encounter is dead silence. After a short time of squirmishly asking why the subject is being brought up, they begin to say how they feel. A few people believe that cliques are positive because of the support they offer. Matt Young says, "It gives you a sense of security." The majority of people, however, think that they

are negative.

Belonging to a particular clique not only defines who a person's friends are, but who they are not, and dare not be. Groups that may have offered comfort in the first few weeks of school soon take control of virtually all parts of the members' lives. Most people say that they do not like cliques because when you are in one, you are not really "allowed" to socialize with people from other cliques. What can be done?

1999
Juniors

Everywhere we turn, there are categories and rules. As the future seniors of Althoff we can make a difference. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. If you do not like what you see, change it.



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Fiudo, Phillip
Franke, Charles
Friederich, Jacob
Fritz, Laney
Gaughan, CJ

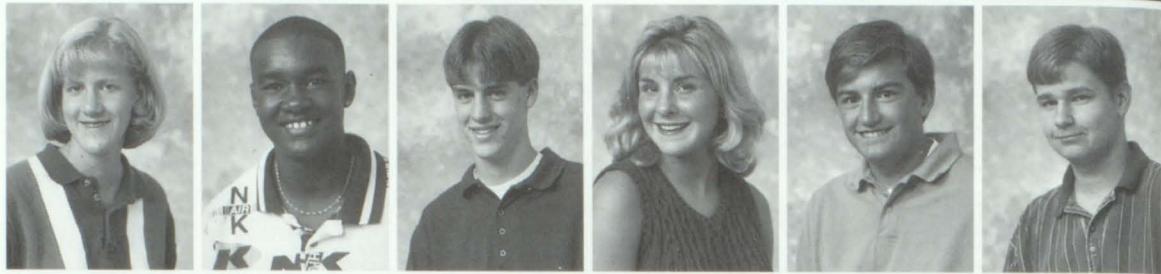


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Miller, Krista

Gonzales, Andrew
Gebenick, Lisa
Griffin, Roniqueka
Gross, Lauren
Hagan, Casee
Hale, Megan



Hammel, Christine
Hampton, Shawn
Harms, Scot
Harris, Shawna
Harter, Nathan
Haslett, Cameron



Heller, Alicia
Higgins, Timothy
Hoffmann, Keith
Hogan, Kristi
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Hooks, Courtney



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Huling, Lucas
Huskey, Andy



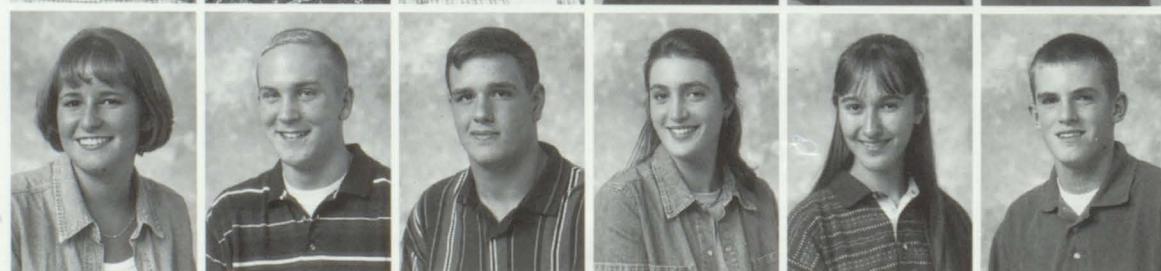
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Jordan, Robert
Jordan, Tamara



Jung, Ryan
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Karban, Kari
Keefe, Patrick
King, Theresa
Klazynski, Barbara



Kloess, Kathryn
Kniser, Christopher
Koehly, Jon
Kolb, Lindsay
Kozak, Melanie
Kramkowski, Bradley





Ladipo, David
Larson, Heidi
Laskowski, Jamie
LeBlanc, Evan
LeChien, Genevieve
Lee, Katherine



Maclin, Elise
Madison, Ryan
Masters, Kathy
Maultsby, Adam
Maxwell, Christopher
McCoy, Kristy



McDermott, Josh
McGinnis, Patrick
McHugh, Patrick
McNamara, Ryan
Melvin, Michael
Mena, Brian



Mena, James
Misiak, Rodney
Moglia, Ann
Moore, Crystal
Moran, Erin
Mueller, Candace



Muyleart, Dennis
Nance, Matthew
Nester, Gregory
Noel, Carol
Norkus, Kathryn
Nunn, Daniel



O'Neill, Tom
Olden, Kerry
Olson, Joanne
Pajares, John
Peil, Daniel
Peter, Mary



Powell, Nicholas
Prindle, Sara
Quartz, Dan
Queern, Timothy
Reiniger, Laura
Reiter, Mary

Rival Schools

*To hang with them or
to simply hang them
.... that is the
question.*

It is the classic scene, a late October football game, emotions are running high, the smell of nachos is in the air. Fans go crazy cheering for their boys in blue and gold as they anxiously await another win. After the game, it is time to have fun. Yet, there is a decision to be made. Do you go out with the opponents to their "party of the year" or do you "stay true to your school?"

Most students agree

that there is no reason to be intimidated by other schools. As Laura Stoeber says, "They are no different than us."

Pat Keefe, jokingly, takes a different approach. Although he is "terrified" of rival schools, he faces his tremendous fear and forges on to party after party in hopes that one day, he will no longer be afraid.

Tyson Giger says, "No, I am not scared of rival schools, but they should be terrified of us!"

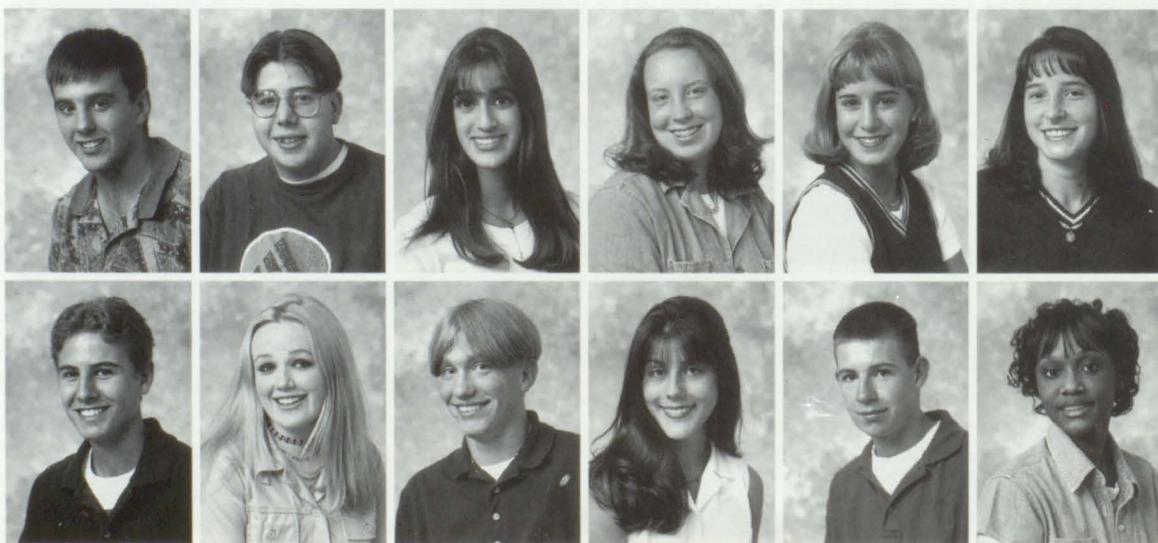
Whether easy-going like Laura, creative like Pat or high-spirited like Tyson, everyone has an opinion about opponents. What is yours?

*"We've got the spirit,
yes we do, we've got
the spirit, how bout
you?"*

- This large group of juniors gets themselves pumped in hopes of a victory at the game.
- Look at these colors shine! Jim Beever and Sister Jan show their pride as they prepare to beat those rival schools.

Ringhofer, Zachary
Rodriguez, John
Rodriguez, Monica
Rudy, Andrea
Schmidt, Kim
Schmieder, Laura

Schreier, Kurt
Sheils, Melissa
Simpson, Timothy
Smith, Renee
Sonnenberg, Austin
Spencer, Amber





Stanley, Tanya
Stellern, Sarah
Stoeber, Laura
Suarez, Mike
Sullivan, Patrick
Tammons, Angela



Tampow, Jennifer
Taylor, Brandon
Thacker, Justin
Thomas, Brandy
Thompson, Sarah
Threlkeld, Meagan



Timmermann, Scott
Tissier, Jody
Tuncil, Eric
Udoh, Asian
Underwood, Kara
Utnage, Michael



Vangenhen, Amy
Veto, Nicole
Vick, Jessica
Waligorski, Justin
Walker, Amber
Walker, Ariya



Warchol, Kathryn
Warhoover, Ryan
Werner, Gus
Wescoat, Heather
Westhoff, Ryan
Whitaker, Thomas



Whittle, Brian
Wigginton, Elizabeth
Williams, John
Winkeler, Stephen
Wirth, Justin
Wuller, Sara



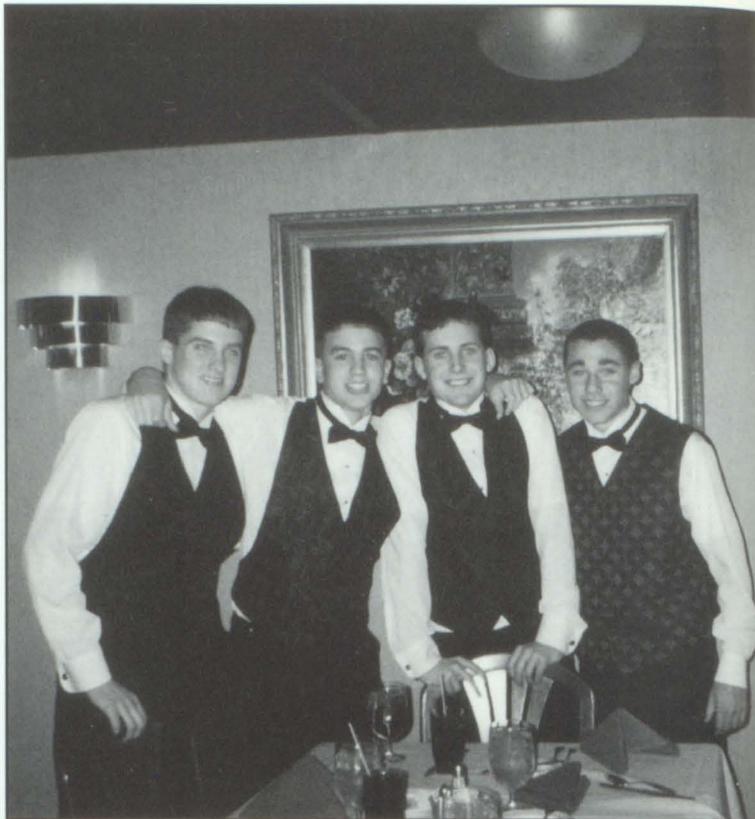
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Yociss, Lillie
Yordy, Kevin
Young, James
Young, Matthew
Zoeller, Ryan

One Winter Night

There is a first time for everything. For the 97-98 sophomores, one of these firsts was Christmas Ball. "Ball Fever" hit our classmates in mid-September when the thought of the annual winter dance had not even entered the upperclassmen's minds. Sophomore girls scrambled to catch their first choice's eye. Some hit the stores in September to find that "perfect dress," while others waited until just days before the event. Their searching paid off because we

saw everything from classic black to iridescent sequins. Whether the guys wore cumberbunds or vests, there was only one way to describe them: H O T.

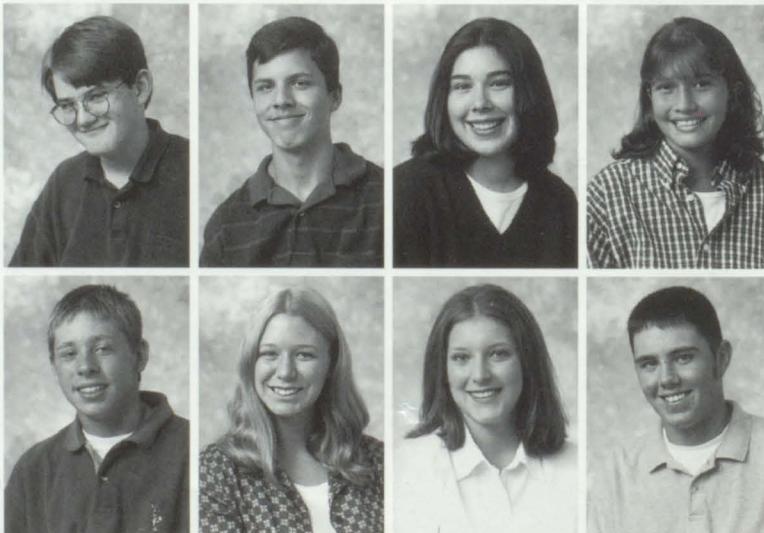
For many sophomores, the long-awaited night began with group and individual pictures at a friend's house. It continued with a limo ride to either dinner or the dance. The night slipped away and that long-awaited event came to a happy ending.



Sophomores

Abegg, Michael
Arndt, John
Balicki, Louise
Barrington, Jennifer

Baudendistel, Daniel
Bayley, Kim
Bean, Emily
Beatty, Brad





Becherer, Kendra
Becker, Jacob
Berneking, Robert
Beyer, Alexis
Bishop, Jonathan
Bisso, Brandi



Biver, Joseph
Boland, Breanne
Bolesti, Evan
Bollman, Bryan
Borawski, Andrew
Braxmeier, Sara



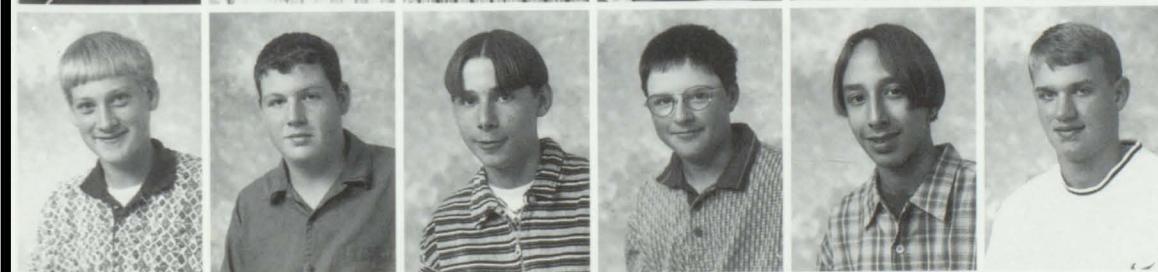
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Buffa, Marisa
Burdell, Todd
Busekrus, Doug
Bush, Robert
Caponegro, Ramona



Carron, Ryan
Cerna, Miguel
Chester, Kari
Childers, Rob
Clapp, Jonas
Coates, Jason



Cordes, Justin
Costello, Chris
Coughlin, Shawn
Dahlmann, Samantha
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Derfler, Matt



Diekemper, Rob
Donovan, Brad
Donze, Robert
Downen, Jason
Dressel, Nicholas
Duco, Joe

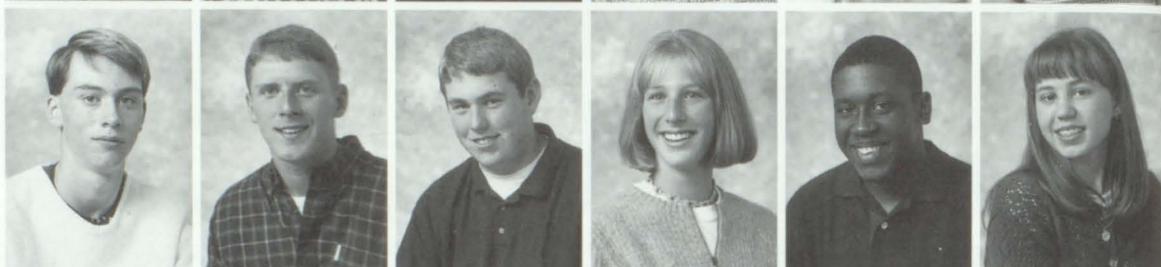
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Ecker, Phillip
Elbe, Jason
Ellis, Barrie
English, Jocelyn



Etling, Andrew
Etling, Chris
Evans, Mike
Feldker, Gus
Feldmann, Peggy
Fernandez-Salvador, C.



Fiedler, Matt
Fitzsimmons, Dan
Foley, Patrick
Foppe, Jill
Franklin, Darwin
Friederich, Katie



Friederich, Lauren
Fritz, Tim
Glass, Adrian
Goepfert, Anne
Guignon, Katie
Gundlach, Suzanne



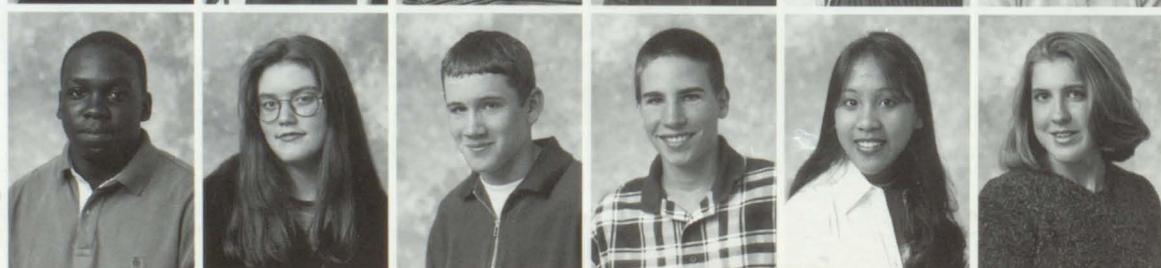
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Haukap, Chris



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Heslop, Jonathan
Hitsman, Trisha
Hopkins, Kathryn



Howard, Clarence
Howard, Sarah
Hubbard, Joshua
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Irvin, Danielle





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Jones, Jessica
Karban, Kasey
Kauling, Lea



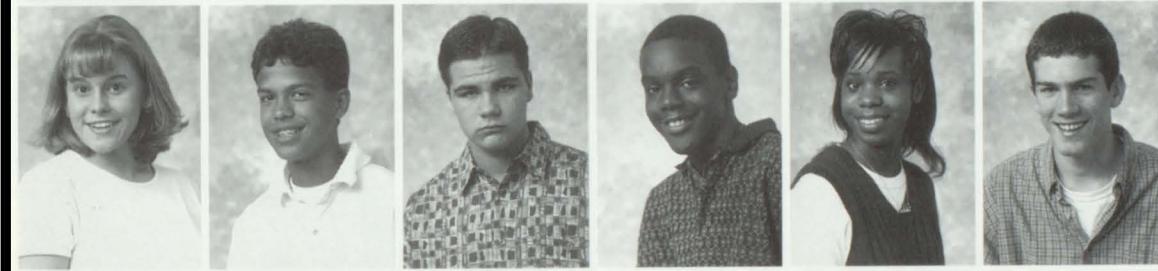
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LeBeau, Leslie
Leonard, Daniel
Lewis, Alisa



Lewis, Theodore
Link, Jamie
Louis, Erica
Lyles, William
Macon, Bernard
Mannix, Katie



Manso, Bethany
Mark, Joesph
Massey, Joshua
Matlock, Frank
McCoy, Kadata
McEvilly, Patrick



McMorris, Douglas
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Meddows, Melissa
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Miller, Nicholas

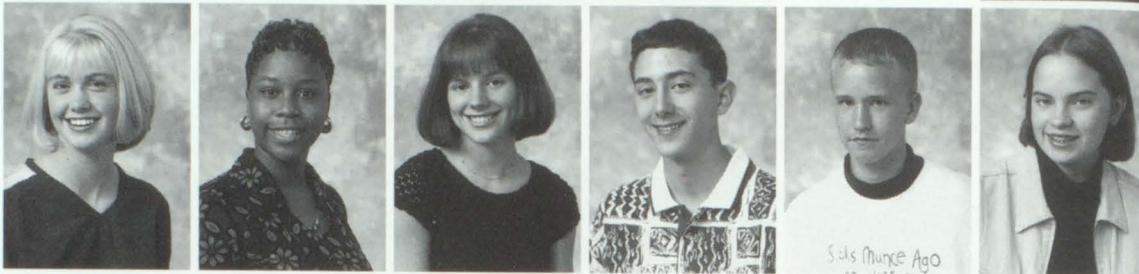


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Musielak, Matthew
Nash, William

Niebur, Sara
Noel, Russell
Obal, Renata
Oestreich, Nicole
Osterhage, Bryan
Ostermeier, Eileen



Padgett, Lisa
Palmer, Miya
Parker, Catie
Pelch, Jeffrey
Phillips, Gregory
Polka, Renee



Queern, James
Reed, Kathryn
Rendleman, Joshua
Rickmann, Julie
Riley, Jennifer
Sanders, April



Scannell, Emily
Schalk, Stacy
Schmitz, Robert
Schrader, Matt
Schrader, Elizabeth
Schumacher, Victoria



Scott, Wakisha
Sendjas, Dave
Shadwick, Jacquelyn
Shaffer, Sara
Shaw, Kenneth
Shaw, Patrick



Sieben, Stacy
Sintzel, Michael
Sondag, Trevor
Spalding, Brad
Stein, Kevin
Suarez, Tony



Svoboda, Jason
Swofford, Olivia
Taylor, Keisha
Tebbe, Nathan
Terry, Sean
Theobald, Lindsey



Now, It's Our Turn!



Many Sophomores have been waiting 16 years for that "Memorable Day" when they do not have to depend on parents for a ride to school or to the big game.

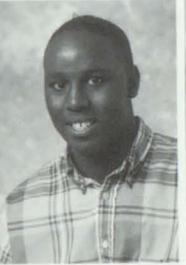
When it finally arrived, many agree with Bryan Bollman who said, "It involves a lot of freedom and responsibility."

Paying for gas and insurance can be a burden. Picking up those "unlicensed" friends and taking them *everywhere* can also unwind your clock!

Many new laws are aimed at young drivers. These new laws require a permit for at least 3 months before they can get a license, and deny a license to anyone under 21 found with drugs in their system.

Already, sophomores have had "mis-haps"! In Jonas Clapp's case it involved reversing the car into his living room!

We can only hope drivers like Erica Louis (pictured here) and others will get into gear and drive safely.



Thompson, James
Thompson, Jennifer
Threlkeld, Alison
Tilmont, Jerome
Timko, Jonathan
Tolliver, Kevin



Usery, Gina
Van Quaethem, Terra
Vaughn, Kamilah
Wade, Thomas
Walker, Molly
Walsh, Gregory



Welzbacher, Katy
Wescovich, Timothy
Wiley, Raymond
Williams, Katie
Zeisset, Jessica
Zimmer, Dallas

A Brand New Beginning

The first year of high school can be a very scary experience. Most freshmen come from small grade school classes to a high school class of almost two hundred students. A lucky freshman would know about thirty kids, but some may not know many.

High school offers a larger variety of people, and with that variety comes an opportunity for each freshman to develop their own personality. Unlike grade school, where most kids are forced to follow the "cool crowd," high school is a place for kids to find things in common with the new faces around them.

Although cliques are still a fact of life in high

school, most freshmen are looking for new friends and new experiences.

Freshmen learn to be more outgoing from day one. Orientation taught them teamwork and provided a creative way for freshmen to get to know one another.

During the next three years, groups will grow and change and the freshmen will become their own people. The friends they make this year may not be the same ones they have by graduation, but each person has helped one another along the way.

From grade school to high school and through the rest of life, the memories of each friend will never be forgotten.

- "Getting to know you."
- Bonding at lunch, Jeremy
- Hodgson, Janelle Dieu,
- Darrington Moore, Eric
- Buettner, and Jeff Smith take a break at freshmen orientation.

- They are all tied up! This group of freshmen participates in a game at the YMCA camp.



Allen, Katherine
Arndt, Mark
Babinski, Michael
Ball, Janna



Baxter, Ryan
Beasley, Dawn
Beaston, Matthew
Beatty, William

Freshmen



Bell, Patrick
Bement, Ryan
Benker, Amy
Bentler, Christopher
Bishop, Joshua
Bockewitz, Katie

Boismenu, James
Bone, Nathaniel
Borawski, Bryan
Boyer, Sarah
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Canning, Cole

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Chapman, Chaya
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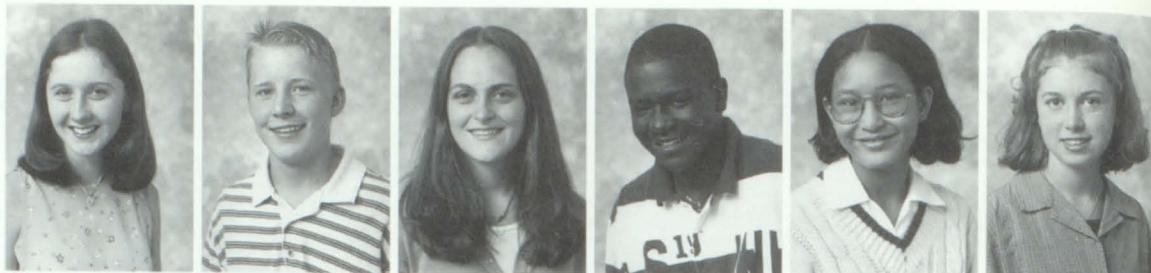
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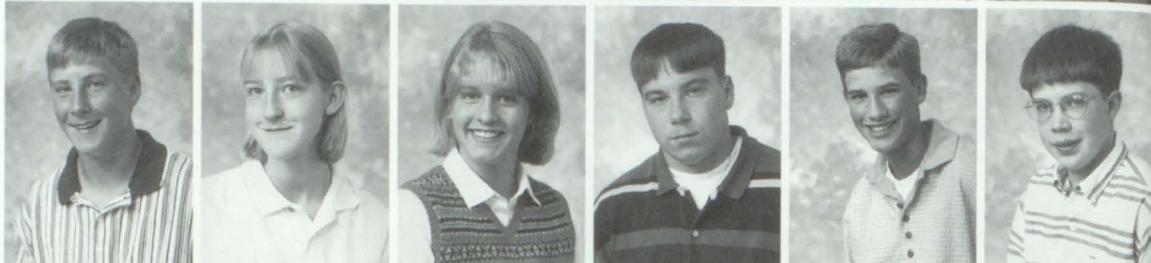
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Gabriel, Josef
Garner, Joesph
Garvey, Matthew

Gibbons, Jamie
Gloeckner, Michael
Graham, Katherine
Grayson, Beronte'
Green, Katherine
Grimm, Elizabeth



Gross, Jeffrey
Gucciardo, Mary
Gundlach, Laura
Gundlach, Richard
Hass, David
Hall, Woodrow



Hammel, Robert
Hampton, Bradley
Hartnagel, Dana
Hayden, Christine
Hayden, Kyle
Haywood, Michelle



Heard, Heather
Heet, Matt
Herring, Dia
Herring, DiAndra
Herring, Diana
Hodgson, Jeremy



Hoef, Kenneth
Hoffman, Brandon
Hottenrott, Jacob
Hudlin, Richard
Hunter, William
Isbell, Leah



Issawi, Renee
Joergensen, Jennifer
Johnson, Jeremiah
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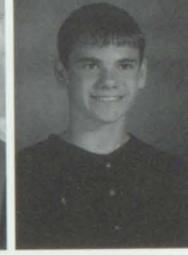




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Larson, Bonnie



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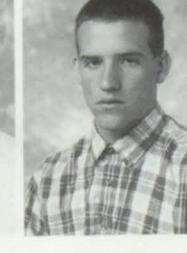
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Muren, Corey
Murray, Sara



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Neely, Melissa
Neville, Patrick



Norkus, Greg
Nunn, Jaime
O'Dell, Robert
O'Malley, Elizabeth
Peil, Kelly
Perry, Myeesha



Pickerel, Ryan
Portell, Melissa
Potts, Luke
Powell, Scott
Rankin, Tamara
Rattler, Lauriel

Reeb, Kristen
Reiniger, Daniel
Reiniger, Dawn
Renner, Christopher
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Ringhofer, Alyson



Rivera, Carlos
Robinson, Dy'Esha
Rogers, William
Roles, Shelly
Sabo, Christopher
Sabo, Katherine



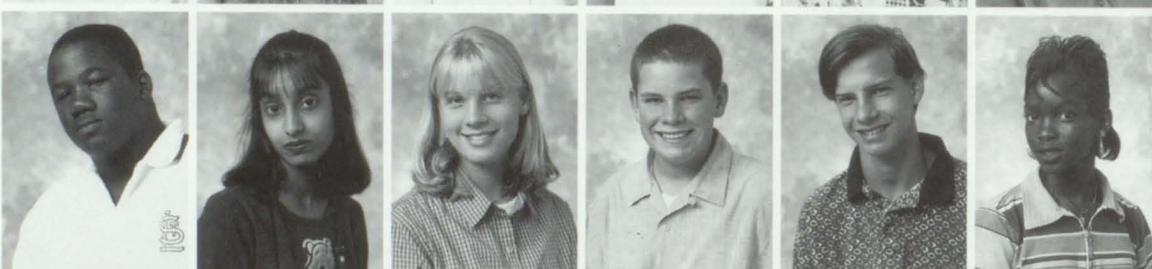
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Schloemann, Dustin
Schmidt, Kevin
Schomber, Anne
Schwartz, Douglas



Seibert, Therese
Selby, Ashley
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Shadwick, Melanie
Sherfy, Jay
Sheridan, Tiffany



Short, Johnny
Singh, Stacy
Sintzel, Lauren
Sloger, Ryan
Smith, Jeffrey
Smith, Kiaundra



Snow, Melissa
Spalding, Brett
Stein, Kyle
Stellern, Chris
Stogner, Joesph
Stonewater, Katherine



Stump, Matt
Suarez, Maria
Swedo, Adam
Swofford, Alisha
Tampow, Mark
Theis, Dustin



Tuck it in, Now!

It is one of the most debated issues at Althoff... the dress code. This year's freshmen were split down the middle on the subject. Some saw the dress code as a great alternative to uniforms. Those in opposition to our "preppy" look demand changes. They want more jeans days and collarless shirts.

Following in Althoff's long-running tradition of rebellious freshmen, the class of 2001 is breaking all the rules. With shirts untucked as the studs on their pants reflect the fluorescent light, the freshmen sneer at the warnings of dress

code referrals. With the threat of impending doom, the offenders slyly fold under their shirt tails.

The complaints of stifled self-expression not only resound through the third floor halls, but also through the halls below them. However, the dress code helps set us apart from rival high school students and distinguishes us as members of the Althoff student body. No matter what we wear on the weekends, between the hours of eight and three, we look like model students even if our shirts are untucked.

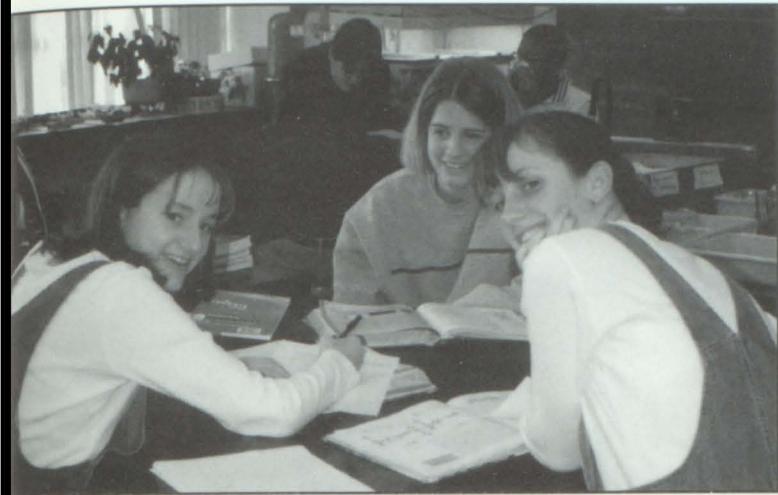
••••• (Top) This is what we would rather wear! Ellen Johnston, Laura Gundlach, and Casey Diedrich show off their snappy outfits.

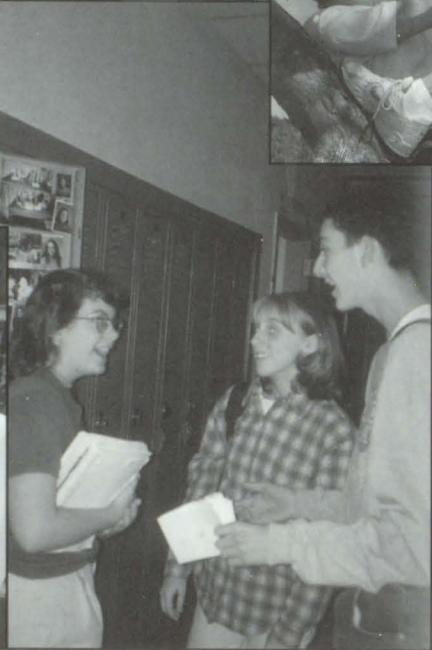
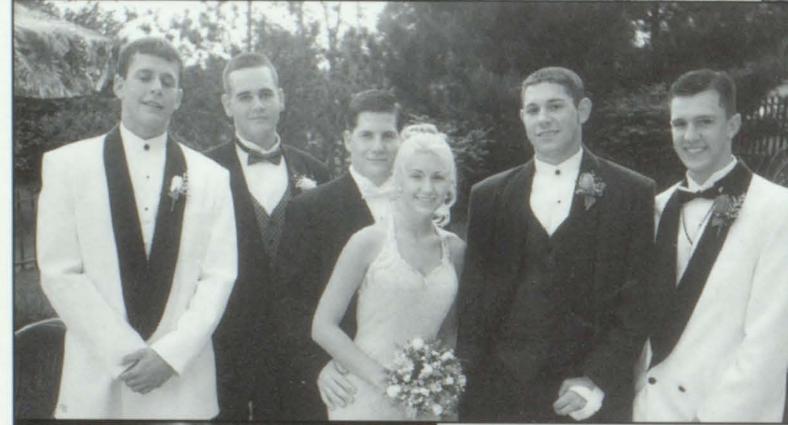
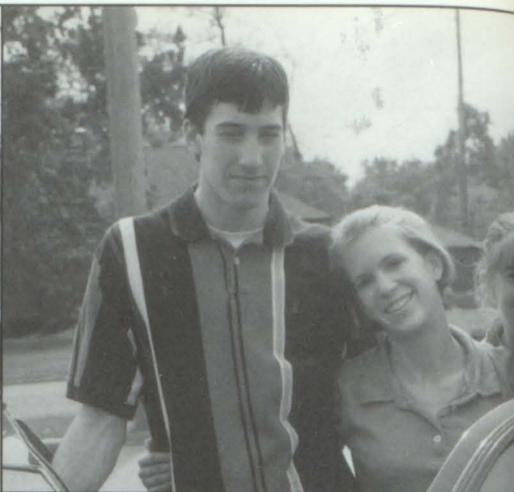
••••• (Bottom) All buttoned up and tucked in, this group of freshmen smiles for the camera.

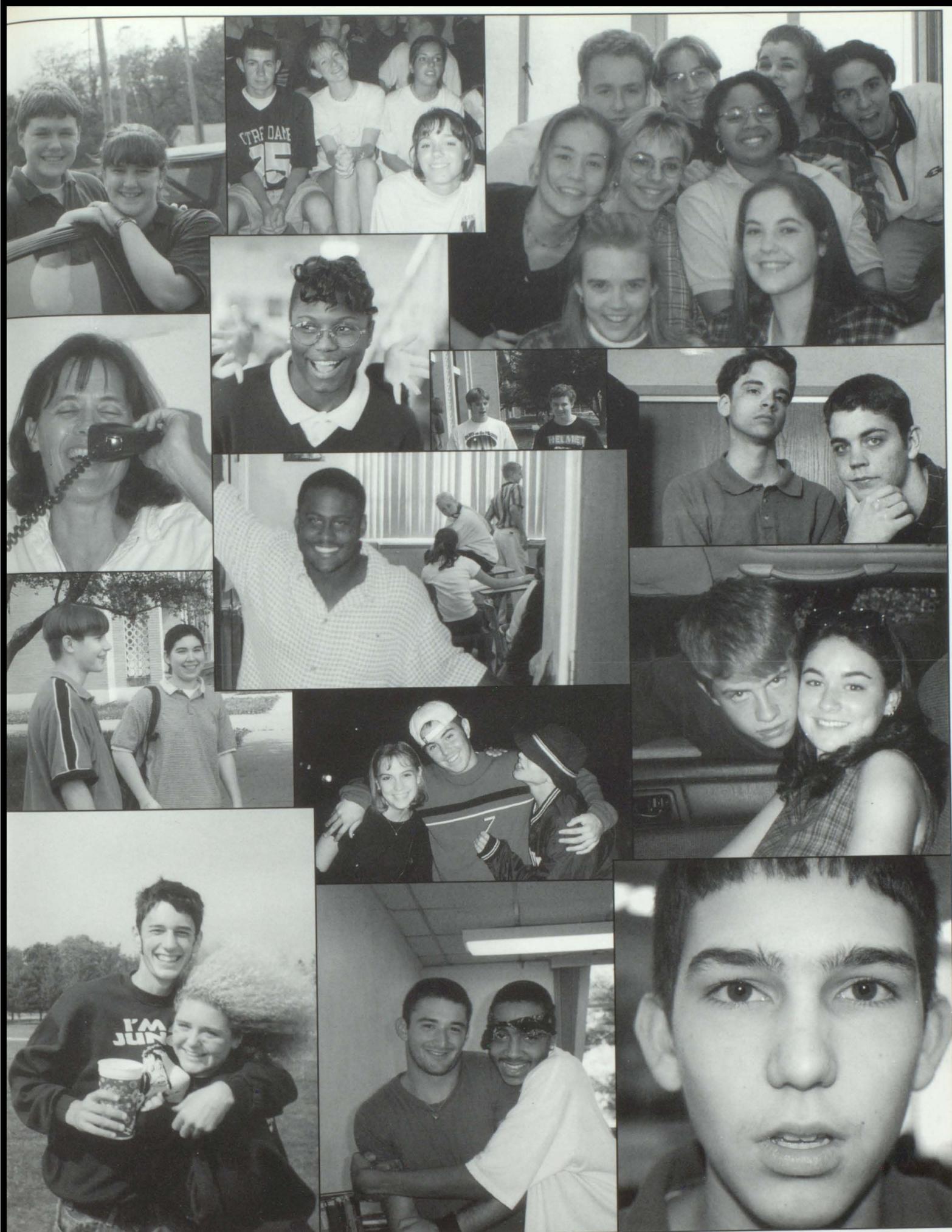
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Waller, Paul

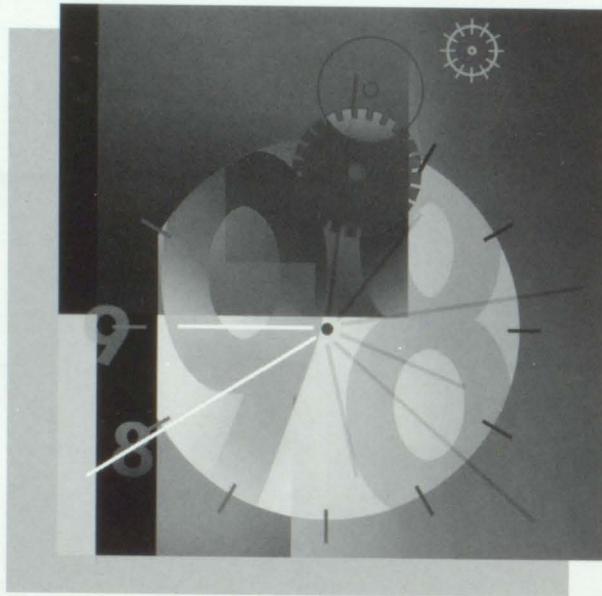
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Werner, Scott
Wescoat, Kimberly
Whitecotton, Adam

Wier, Dominic
Wolitski, Gessell
Wondolowski, Amber
Young, Thomas
Zankl, Amy
Zipfel, Paul









The student body takes part in a number of activities throughout the school year.

Through joining different clubs and organizations students can excel at what they enjoy best. From Show Choir to Science, every person has his or her hour to shine.

Clubs & Organizations

GREAT TIMES



SOME OLD, SOME NEW

Student Council

The Althoff Student Council has been busy all year long. They began work early by organizing all of the Homecoming Events. From the costumes and carnival to the dance and parade, it all turned out wonderfully. The entire school enjoyed all of the week's activities.

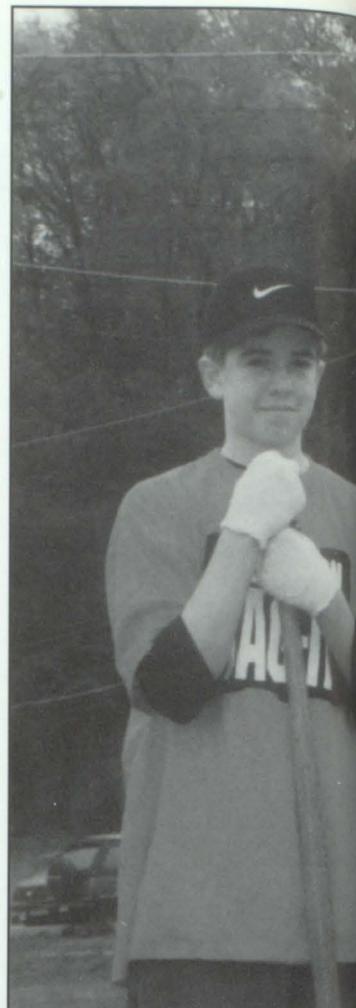
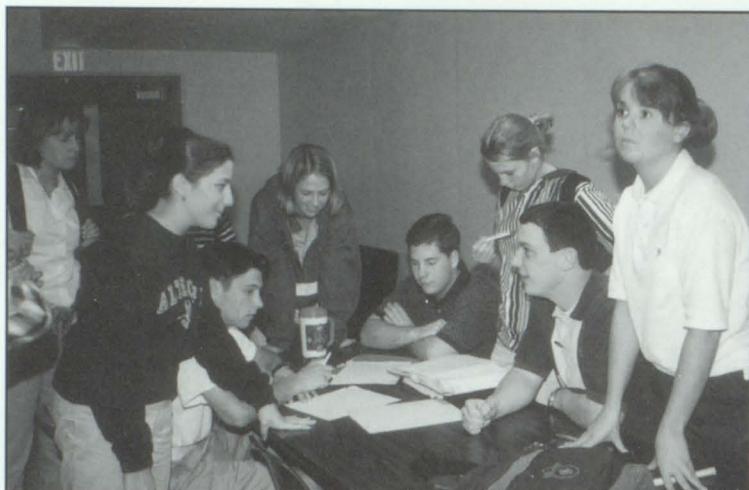
The Student Council also held two blood drives, one at Thanksgiving and the other on Valentine's Day. The American Red Cross was very grateful for the council's involvement.

Also organized and decorated by the student council were the Christmas Ball and Prom. The Prom was held at the Adam's Mark Hotel.

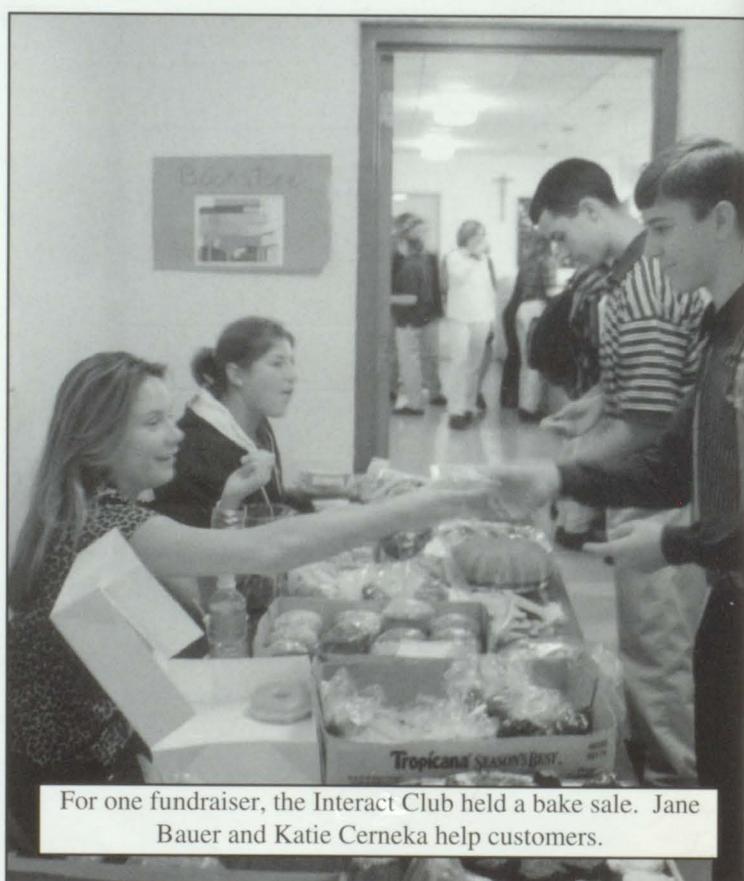
Both dances were huge successes.

Throughout the year, Ms. Gansmann, the student council advisor, was always there. The Student Council would like to thank her for all her hard work and dedication.

(Below): The Student Council members always have something to do. This group of seniors plans for future events, working behind the scenes to make Althoff life run smoothly.

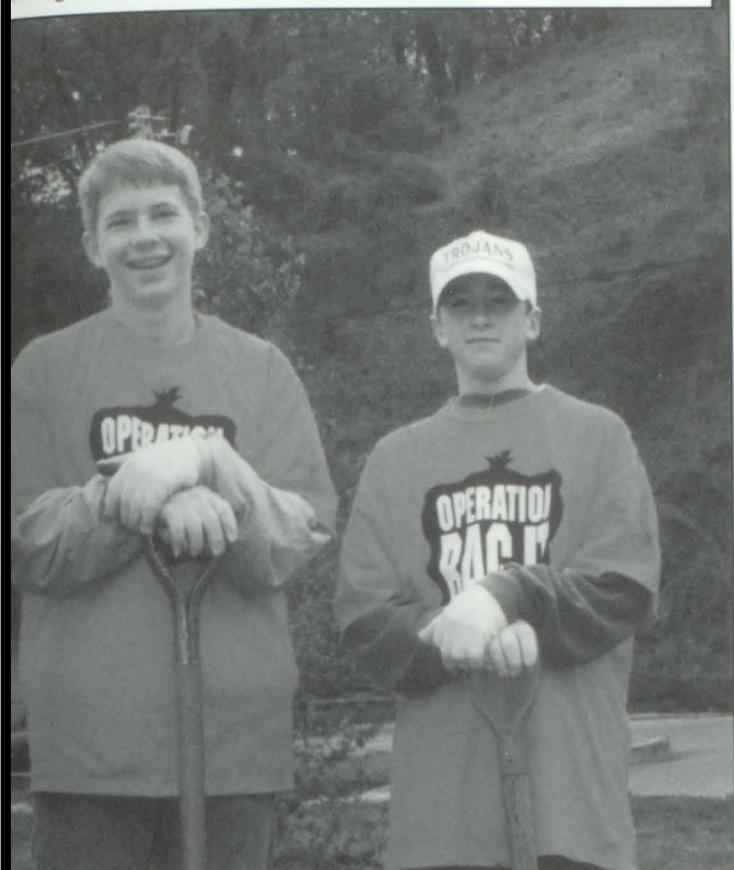


The Student Council sponsors two blood drives each year. Sara Wuller, Janet Venorsky, and Katie Cerneka comfort Heather Wescoat as she gives blood.



For one fundraiser, the Interact Club held a bake sale. Jane Bauer and Katie Cerneka help customers.

Even though new, the Interact Club kept busy all year. Lloyd Cueto, Mark Ebel, and Charlie Klaus take a break from shoveling during a highway clean-up project.



Interact

The Althoff Interact Association was a new club this year. Interact is sponsored by the St. Clair County West Rotary Club. Interact is a service-based organization. The first officers were Laney Fritz, (President), Andy Gonzales, Jamie Dahm, Scot Harms, Jane Bauer (Vice-Presidents), Julie Howenstein (Secretary), and Laura Reiniger (Treasurer).

They do two major service activities, one local and one international, each year. For their community projects, they raised money for a family who had a devastating fire, helped at the West End Rotary Chili

Dinner and planted trees and shrubs off of Hwy. 157. For the Interact Club's International project, they sent money to help children in Honduras. The Interacts plan to continue to keep in touch with the children over the next few years.

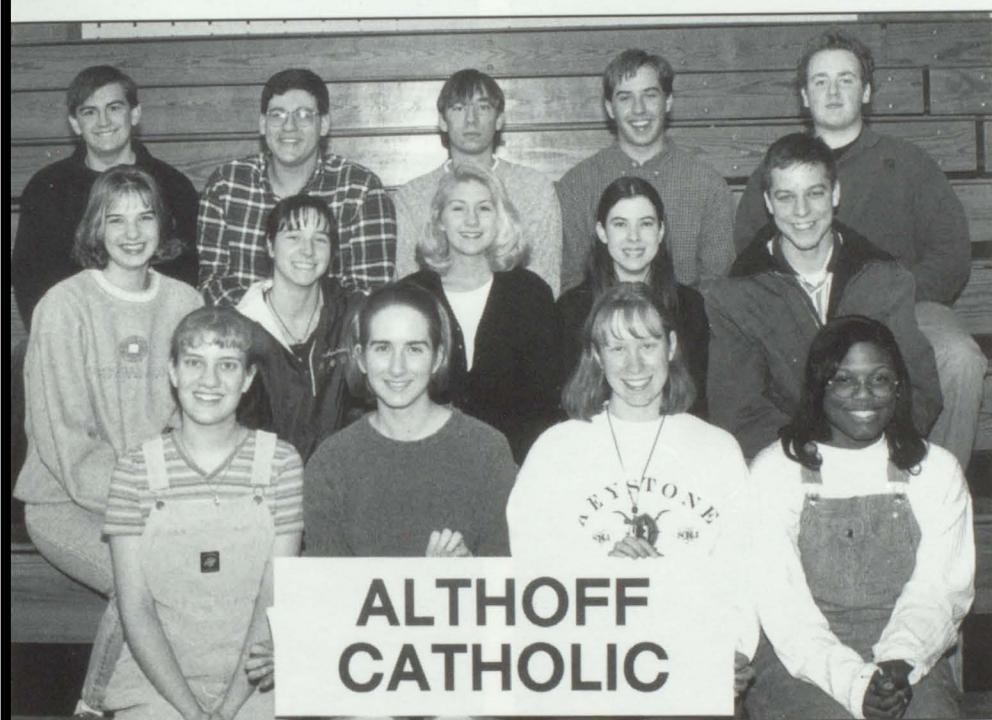
The Interact Club remained busy and contributed with services all year long. The Club had an exceptional year thanks to Mrs. Bolesta and to Mr. Ben Firnkes, Rotarian advisor. A huge thanks goes out to both of them. The club hopes to have continuing success in the years to come.

W.Y.S.E.

This year, fourteen Althoff students and their advisor, Mr. Edwards, attended the WYSE competition at Belleville Area College. WYSE, Worldwide Youth in Science and Technology, is an organization for academically competitive high school students.

The team members are coached by teachers within a particular discipline. This year many teachers helped to prepare the students for the exhilarating day: Ms. Mueller in biology; Mrs. Tiedemann in chemistry; Mr. Mank in engineering and computer science, to mention but a few.

Although the team did not place, individuals performed very well.



WYSE Team (Front): Suzanne Heinzl, Katy Biver, Ann Peduzzi, and Jazmin Webster.
(Middle): Nicole Honerkamp, Laura Schmieder, Laney Fritz, Jessica Vick, and Jim Pajares.
(Back): Nathan Harter, Tim Henry, Josh Carron, Pat McGinnis, and BJ Jordan.

Scholar Bowl

RACING AGAINST THE CLOCK

The 1997-1998 Althoff Scholar Bowl team called on both experience and intelligence this season. In a "Jeopardy"-like format, the team was questioned on categories such as fine arts, history, literature, math, science and theology. All of the team's practice ended with an appearance in the IHSA tournament with a victory over Gibault and Granite City.

•(Right): Jazmin Webster talks with a student at the trivia night. Jazmin is a member of the Scholar Bowl Varsity Team.

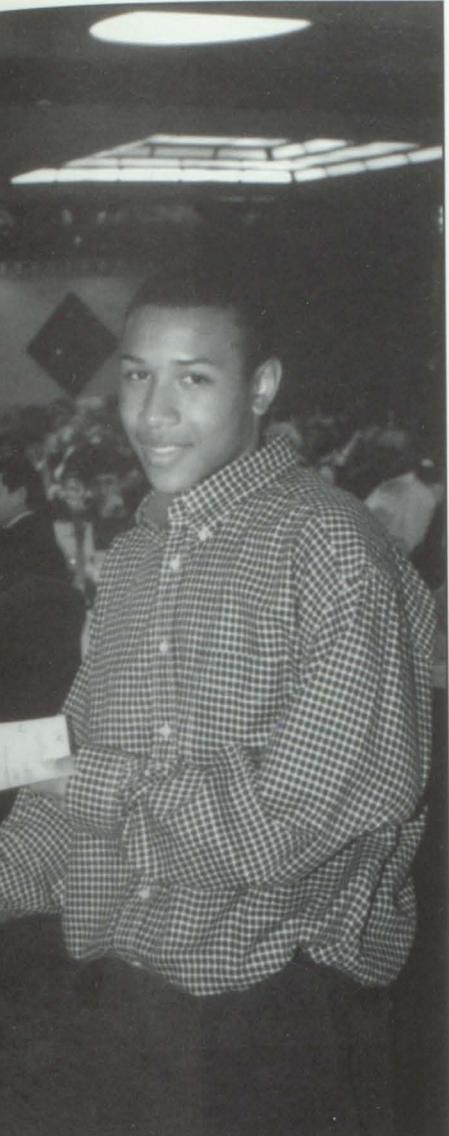


Scholar Bowl members show off their victorious smiles.



National Honor Society

FUTURE LEADERS



The National Honor Society had a productive year. For Christmas they made cookies for the teachers and administration. Also, the members participated in a service project at St. Henry's Daycare. After school, students watched and played with the children. It was a great opportunity to help out the daycare

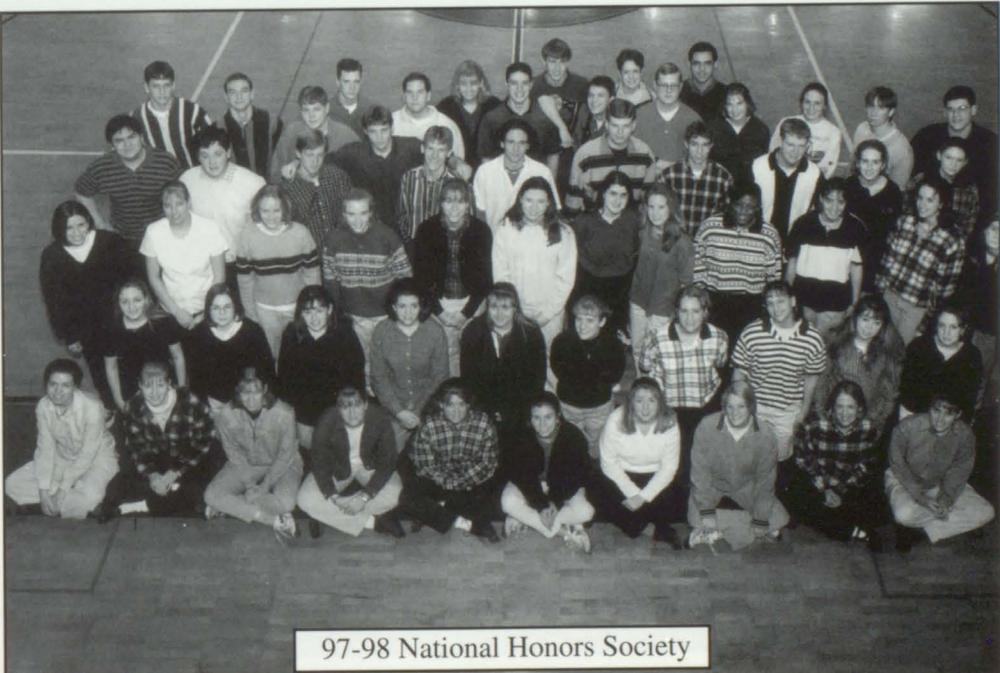
• (Top left): Sister Jan congratulates Anthony Mitchell. Anthony received the President's Award for attaining high honors the first 3 quarters.

• (Bottom Left): Students sit with their proud parents at the Honors Banquet.

and NHS members enjoyed working with the kids.

Under the guidance of Miss Carrie Mueller, the students organized the Honors Banquet. At the ceremony, new members were inducted into the National Honor Society.

As a member of the NHS, a student becomes a role model for the entire student body. NHS members possess good grades, leadership skills, and character.



Donating Their Time

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

The Student Ambassador Organization has been in existence for only five years. But in those five years, it has grown to become the largest club at Althoff. Its purpose is to involve students from all grade levels in the planning, coordination and implementation of Althoff's Recruitment and Retention Program.

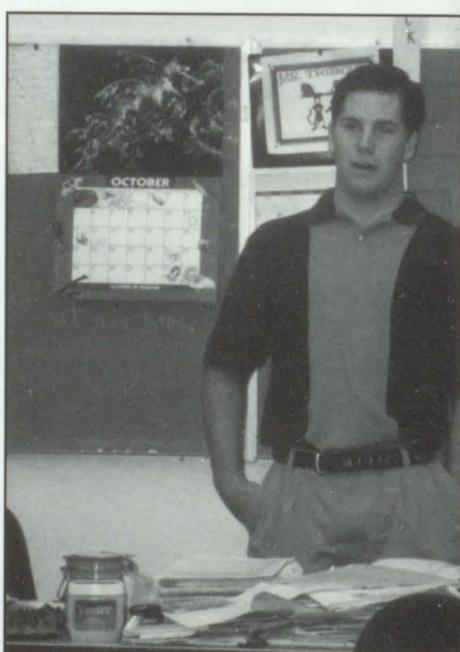
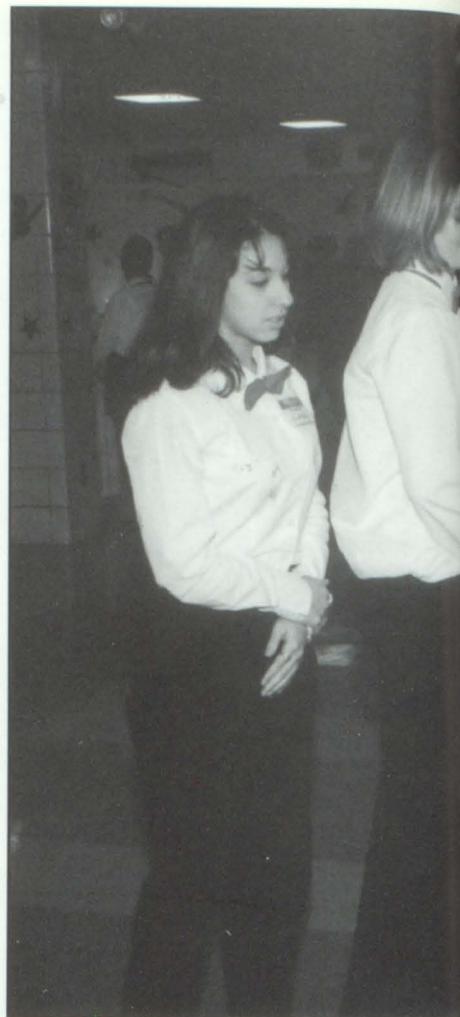
Student Ambassadors serve their school by recruiting incoming freshmen from feeder schools, writing letters for the "Crusader Corner" newsletters, and donating service hours in the Development Office. Ambassadors also help new students adapt to their unfamiliar surroundings by serving as "tour guides" at Open House, Freshman Orientation and in the Spend-A-Day program. Another important job for Student

Ambassadors is working at the Annual Althoff Auction.

In addition to generously volunteering their time, Ambassadors also maintain a 2.5 GPA. Student Ambassadors are obviously dedicated to both their school and their academic pursuits. They provide excellent examples for other Althoff students to look up to.

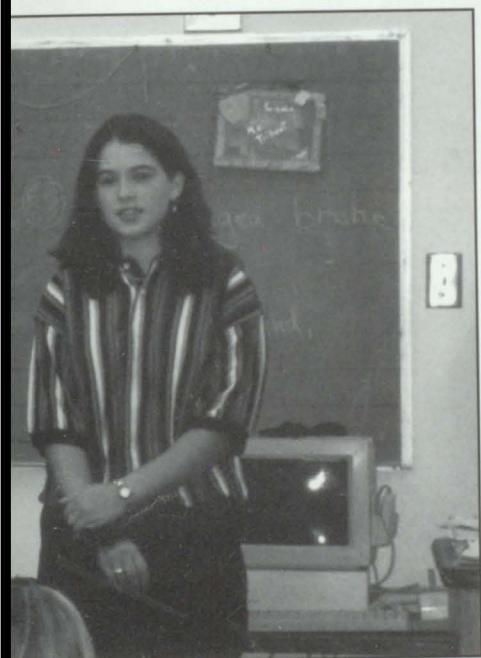
• (Far right): Tour guides Jocelyn English, Sara Prindable, Sarah Thompson, Beth Wigginton and Kate Schumacher meet new students in the gym.

• (Right): At the Mothers' Club Auction, there's lots of work to be done. Maria Suarez and Ashley Selby take a look at the Grab Bags.



• (Above): After working hard at the Open House, Crystal Gayer, Lisa Padgett, Laney Fritz, and Tanya Stanley take a well-deserved break.

• (Above): Recruiting at a local grade school, Steve Seibert and Crystal Haas



explain the do's and don'ts of high school.



The Crusader Times

THE YEARBOOK TEAM

The 1998 Yearbook staff had their work cut out for them. The few returning staff members had the responsibility of training the twenty newcomers in time for the December deadline. Mrs. Newton also faced the challenge of managing the production of the book for the first time at Althoff. Considering all of the obstacles the yearbook team faced, they have successfully come together to produce a book they are proud of.

The yearbook team divides into four sections: layouts, finances, public relations and computers. The layout team designs the arrangement of pictures,

captions and copy. Then the finished layouts go into the computer so they can be sent to the publishing company. The finance committee keeps production costs in check and heads the advertising campaign. Public Relations invents ways of enticing students to not only purchase the book but to add pictures, quotes and copy.

"Yearbook has been very challenging and demanding, but over all it has been fun and worth it!" said Amy Tissier.

When asked what she thought about the yearbook, Mrs. Newton said, "I am impressed with the quality of work done by the staff. They have done an amazing job with little recognition."



• **Yearbook Staff** (Front): Jazmin Webster, Mary Ann Gibbs, Amy Tissier, Mark Ebel, Karen Regan, Katy Welzbacher, Laney Fritz, Kristi Hogan. (Middle): Teresa Morgan, Jill Schroeder, Jessica Vick, Lauren Friedrich, Renee Polka, Heidi Larson, Jami Stewart. (Back): Steve Bolen, Kristen Richards, Andria Stanley, Jamie Dahn, Eric Tuncil, Ryan Warhoover, Mrs. Newton.

THE NEWSPAPER STAFF

The 1997-1998

Althoff Crusader
Newspaper was a great success. Not only did the paper offer students an excellent opportunity to express their journalistic flares, but it also informed students, future students, and alumni.

This year's staff was composed mostly of juniors and seniors. Everyone worked fervently to produce a total of six issues, three per semester. Reporters covered many topics including retreats, blood drives, play-offs, curtain calls and academic

achievements.

Co-Editor-in-Chief, Jennifer Jacknewitz said, "I am glad to see an even amount of juniors and seniors interested in journalism."

The phenomenal year is due to, not only the increased student involvement, but to Mrs. Joyce Terveer's advisorship. Although this is Mrs. Terveer's last edition, she has been an asset to the newspaper for twelve dedicated years. Her advice and leadership have been greatly appreciated and will be missed.

- (Left): Jennifer Jacknewitz and
- Nicole Honerkamp review
- potential feature stories for the
- Althoff Newspaper, *The*
- *Crusader*.

- (Bottom middle): Yearbook
- editor Mary Ann Gibbs takes a
- trip back in time while she
- glances at a 1968 school photo.



• **Newspaper Staff** (Front): Suzanne Heinzl, Shannon Schaefer, Jennifer Jacknewitz, Nicole Honerkamp, Jazmin Webster. (Back): Katie Cerneka, Katie Kloess, Casee Hagan, Kristi Hogan, Megan Mayberry, CJ Gaughn, Liz Beatty, Ryan Conley, Julie Howenstein, Derek Schmieder, Laura Johnston and Scott Simonin.

Science and Ecology Club

PROTECTING OUR FUTURE

This year the Science Club and Ecology Club combined and formed one of the largest and most active clubs in the school. Mrs. Lisa Tiedemann and Mrs. Sara Newton guided the students throughout this productive year. Some of the projects that the students endeavored to do this year included planting flowers, building bridges, taking care of the Science Club pets, visiting Camp Ondessonk and working on Rivers' Project and Energy Net.

At Open House, Science Club zookeepers displayed some of their animals and explained to visitors how important it is to properly take care of them. Student Mike Dueker built and maintained a habitat for the iguana all year.

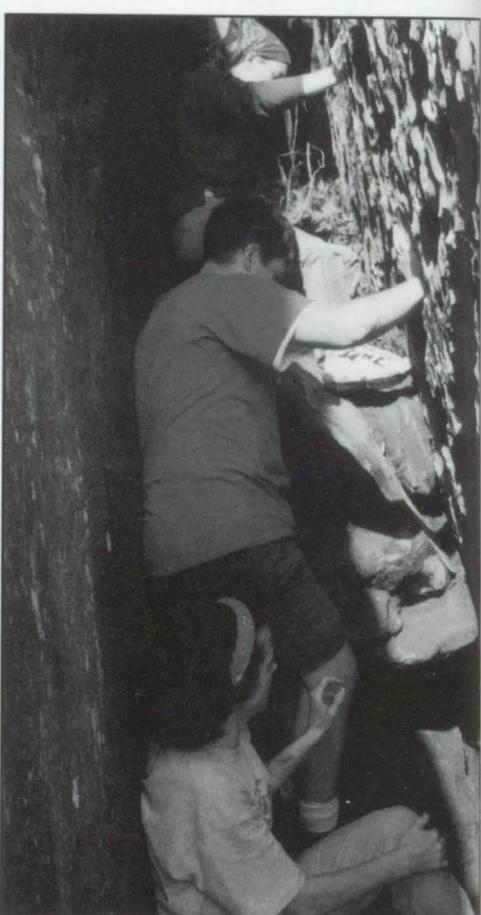
Other daring members of the Science Club ventured to the Schoenberger Creek and Bellevue Lake to collect water for the Rivers' Project. After

weeks of sampling and testing water before school, the group was finally ready to attend the Rivers' convention in Peoria.

Another team of students worked hard all year on Energy Net. The students worked to see how the school could spend less money on power bills. They recommended that by using different light bulbs and ballasts the school could save \$3000 a year.

Finally, the club made their annual visit to Camp Ondessonk in the spring. The campers stayed overnight in LaLande and had a chance to do some hiking after the work project. The students volunteered to rake leaves and spread gravel. Science Club is already looking forward to next year.

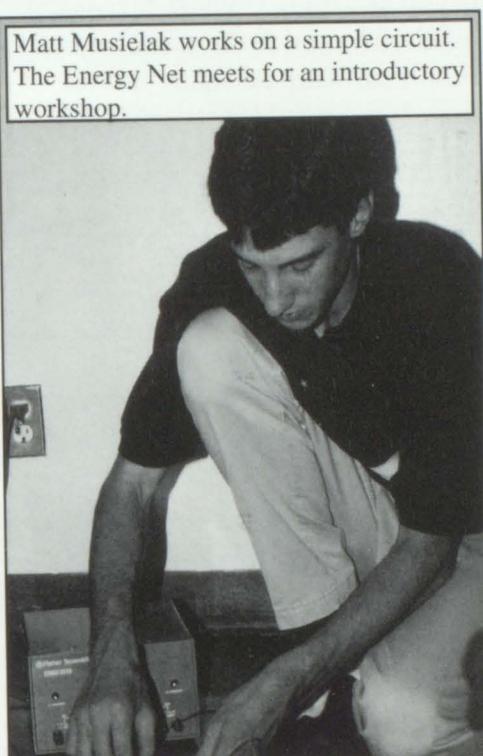
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• (Right): Science Club shows off their pets
• at Open House. Mrs. Terveer pets Edina,
• a hedgehog held by Erin Theis.
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••••• The 97-98 Science Club •••••



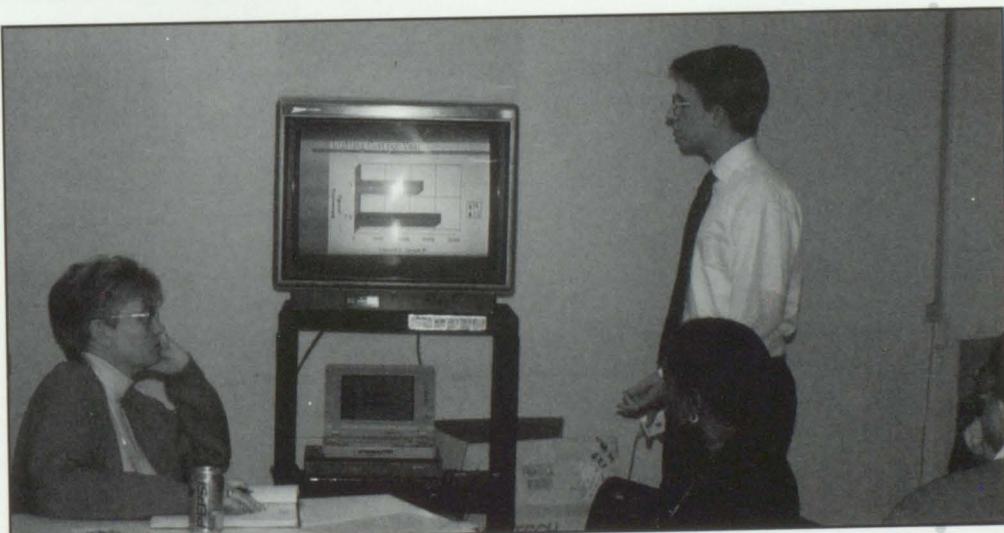
Science Club members take a break on a log. The girls rest after a long day of hiking at Camp Ondessonk.



Matt Musielak works on a simple circuit. The Energy Net meets for an introductory workshop.



Tiko, the iguana, sits on Meagen Threlkeld. Monica Rodriguez jumps with surprise.



- (Above) Mrs. Newton and Rob Childers judge for the Bridge Building Contest.
- (Left) At Camp Ondessonk students get a chance to do some rock climbing.

A Lifetime of Lifesavers

For ten years now, Althoff students have had the opportunity to learn about their peers, themselves, and their community through Lifesavers. Being a Lifesaver entails attending a weekend-long retreat. This year, Althoff participated in its first of two retreats with East and West at Camp DuBois coordinated by Mrs. Weissert-Madriz.

In January, Camp Ondessonk was host to another retreat, moderated by Mr. Gagen. It is at these retreats that "Lifesavers" learn to communicate and listen to others, and help fellow classmates who might be suffering at home or otherwise. Many students say it is the

most rewarding organization at Althoff. As Freshman Chris VanderPluym says, "It was a weekend I'll remember that made a difference in my life."

This year, Althoff Lifesavers participated in a number of community projects such as: collecting canned foods and volunteering for the annual "Farm Blessing" by Bishop Gregory, volunteering at the Lighthouse, and performing the emotional "Turn Around" skit for area grade schools at their DARE graduations.

Students agree that Lifesavers is a valuable organization that has taught them a lot.

- (Right) Senior Kim Herbeck spends a relaxing moment painting.

- (Below) Sophomore Sara Braxmeier takes down notes and brings up ideas at a Lifesavers meeting.



Althoff Lifesavers lounge around at a meeting.



The 1997-98 Lifesavers Team



Lifesaver moderator Mr. Jack Gagen leads the meeting into discussion.



Ageless Pursuits ART CLUB & SPEECH TEAM

When it comes to the Fine Arts, Althoff is very distinguished in its Arts Department. Coordinated by Mr. Woesthaus, the Art Club is a loose organization of the art classes: Art 1, Art 2, Advanced Art, and Honors Advanced Art.

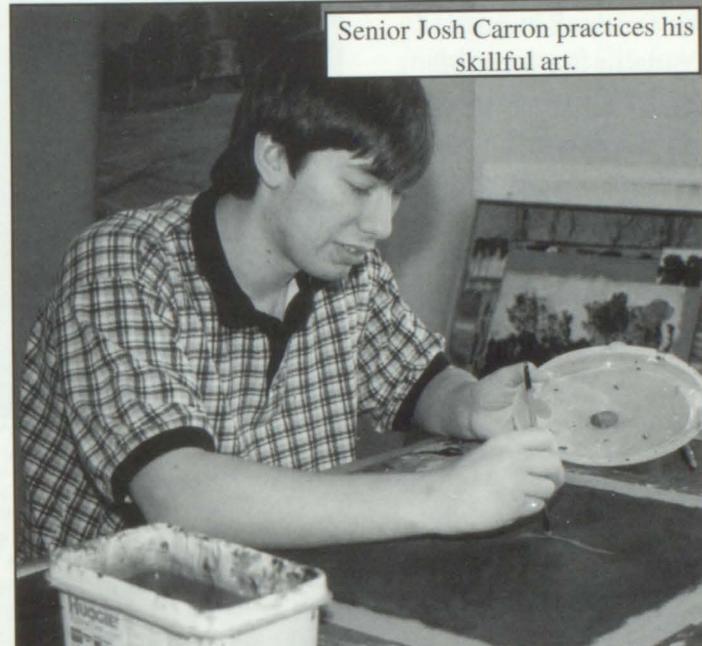
Some students have entered pieces, such

as sculptors and paintings, into competitions at Southern Illinois University and have fared quite well.

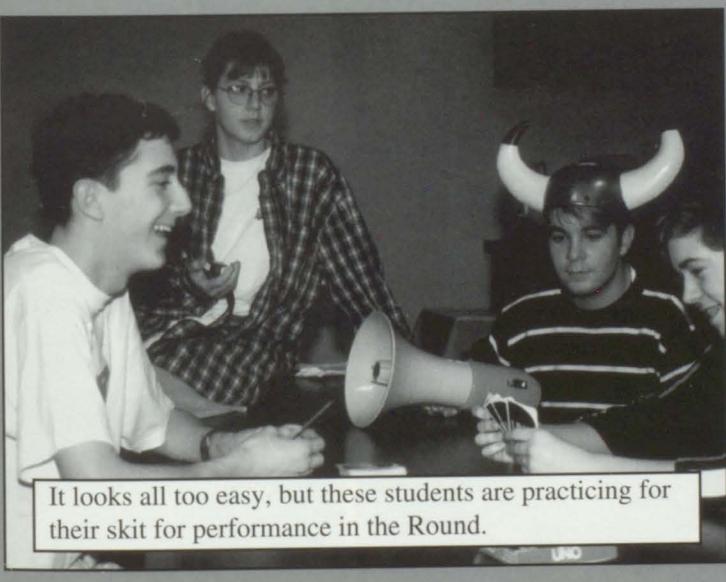
It takes an interest, a lot of talent, and time for these up and coming artists to find their fame and notoriety.



(Front): Alexis Beyer, Crystal Moore and Bridget Weir.
(Back): Lloyd Cueto, Sara Brazmeier, Jeff Pelch, Renee Polka, Ryan Conley, Sara Shaffer.



Senior Josh Carron practices his skillful art.



It looks all too easy, but these students are practicing for their skit for performance in the Round.

Maybe Next Year Speech Team

On February 7th, 1998, the small but strong Althoff Speech Team, led by Coach Elaine Laws, fought stiff competition at the 1998 IHSA Individual Event Regional at O'Fallon High School.

After a long day of waiting and competing, finals were posted, with Althoff qualifying for Finals in all but one of their events. The team was thrilled, and quite enthusiastic. The mood was quite different, however, after the Awards Ceremony. Tim Henry and Renee Polka had both placed 6th overall. The Performance in the Round team of Braxmeier, Conley, Cueto, Pelch, and Weir placed 5th overall.

Despite a tough day which ended their season, the team took home some valued lessons. They are looking forward to next year and planning the most diligent preparation possible.

Future Authors, Poets, and Artists

LITERARY CLUB

As our school advances technologically, so too does the Literary club. Premiering this year in the Club's main publication, *Winds of Change*, were computer graphics and photography. The magazine kept its traditional poetry, prose and art sections.

Other pleasant changes for the Literary Club came in the form of increased club membership and submissions from the student body. Staff member Karen Regan commented, "It's a shame we can't publish everyone's work, but then we'd end up with a book we could barely pick up!"

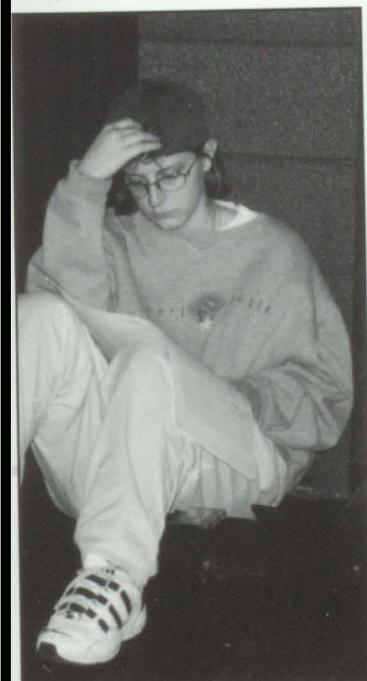
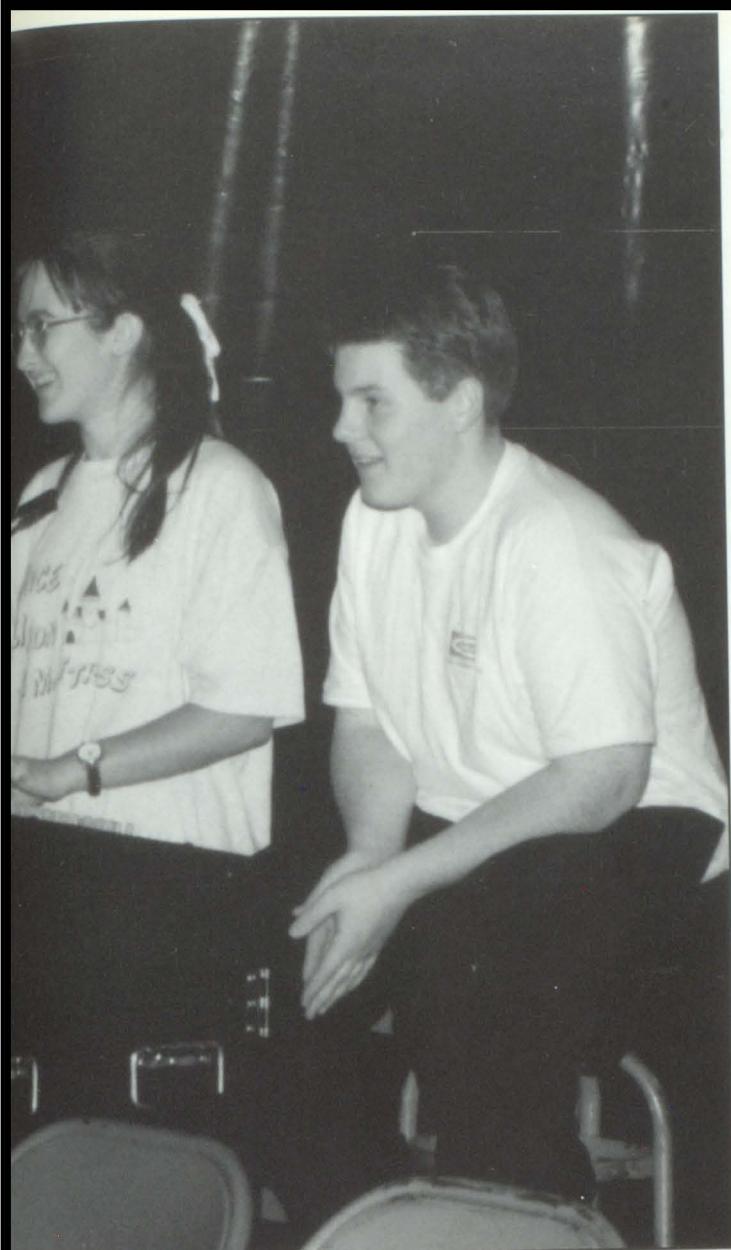
(Below): CJ Gaughan and Steve Bolen, the technical muscles of the Literary Club, pause to flex for the camera.

(Right): Melanie Kozak and Stephen Winkeler laugh at a joke as it echos through the gym, thanks to their superior sound work.



Literary Club: (Front): CJ Gaughan, Jenny Needham, Jazmin Webster, Breanne Boland, Karen Regan.
(Middle) Teresa Morgan, Allison Hill, Jill Schroeder, Jenny Stogner, Jennifer Jacknewtiz, Laura Cheatham.
(Back) Milton Jones, Nicole Honerkamp, Anni Peduzzi, and Jessica Vick.





A Moment Under the Lights DRAMA CLUB

The main activity of the Althoff Drama Club is the production of two plays per year, the fall play and the spring musical. The members of the drama club include not only the actors and actresses, but also the crew and pit orchestra. The participation in drama club steadily increases from year to year.

The actors and

- (Below left) Bridget Weir reads through the script of *Murder in the House of Horrors*, deciding everything from lighting cues to appropriate ad-libs.

- (Below far left): Intently focused on the poem she is reading, Jessica Vick decides whether or not it should be published.

actresses, of course, learn voice projection, proper stage direction, makeup and dramatic interpretation.

The crew focuses on the construction of sets, lighting, and sound. These members of the drama club are behind the scenes, but without them the show could not go on. The major challenges they face are making sets realistic yet easy to move, and struggling with acoustics of the gym.

This year's production were *Murder in the House of Horrors* in the fall, and *The Pajama Game* in the spring.

Althoff Drama Club



Keeping Time

CONCERT BAND

"Instrumental music allows people to share emotions and ideas in a fun and safe environment (if you are good at dodging projectiles)."

- Director Greg Townsend

An inspirational quote from an even more awe-inspiring man. Finally, a director with words of wisdom about an exceptionally talented group of people who has persisted for more than a year. Obviously, the Concert Band must be doing something right.

Under Mr. Townsend's experienced and knowledgeable direction, the Concert Band has exceeded expectations for this year and hopes to reach even further goals in the years to come. Three excellent concerts, paved the way for the outstanding job done at Organizational contest.

Sharing his wisdom and the talent of

the students with others, Mr. Townsend and the Pep Band, under the direction of Student Director Katie Warchol, cheered on our sports teams at the homecoming game and all home basketball games.

The immense talent of the much loved seniors who brought their leadership and their musical gifts to accentuate the quality of the music program, will be considerably

missed next year.

Comments Mr. Townsend on the fruits of his students' hard work, "I'm very proud of the band this year. They've worked hard, had fun, and have not had anything but stellar performances all year. If you haven't heard the band, you've really missed out."

- Katie Warchol



•(Above): Mr. Townsend diligently directs the Concert Band. He leads this group of talented musicians through another fantastic year.

•(Right): All together now! Melanie Kozak and Becky Diak tune their instruments before a concert held in the school gym.

•(Far right): Adam Hucke, Chris Bush, Jim Pajaras, John Pajaras, and Chris Jordan toot their own horn. These classy gentlemen add a jazzy flair to the Concert Band.

The Top Forty SHOW CHOIR

The final touches on the scenery and last minute pep talks add to the excitement and nervousness of the group.

With smiles and thumbs up, the directors, Mr. Townsend and Mr. Bourrage, go into the wings nervously and anxiously hoping that the show goes well. The stage lights come on and the curtain swings open. Another show has begun.

Another show in a seemingly never ending season. From August until July, we are constantly striving to achieve the goal of being the best we can be. In the fall and Christmas seasons, the stage is set in gyms and churches as we perform for clubs, mothers' and fathers' groups, at

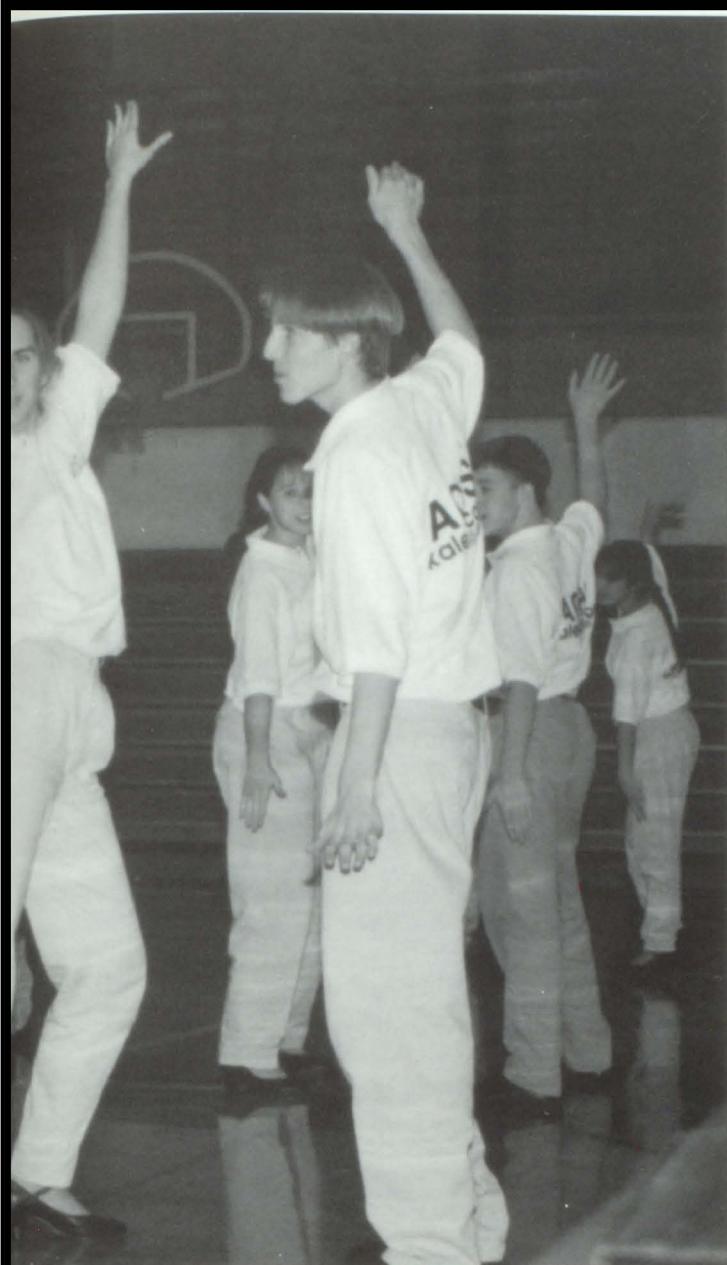
- Katy Biver and Kevin Zimmer
- dance up a storm. The Show
- Choir practiced their routine
- many times in preparation for the
- national competition.

social events, and in nursing and retirement homes.

In the spring, it's competition time. Additional practices give us the preparation and confidence we need to perform to the best of our ability. This year we attended the National Show Choir competition in Branson, MO as representatives of the state of Illinois, and the Quincy Showcase of Excellence competition in Quincy, IL. It took a lot of hard work and dedication from all the members; but in the end the most important thing to do in all practices and performances was to enjoy what we were doing and have fun. Once we learned that we could accomplish anything.

- Mary Reiter

(Front) : Megan Dudzik, Sara Braxmeier, Evan LeBlanc, Elizabeth Faltus, Kayce Anderson, Anne Geopfert, Casee Hagan.
(Second) : Ryan Conley, Katy Biver, Katie Warhol, Anni Peduzzi, Mary Reiter, Melanie Kozak, Chris Jordan. **(Third)** : CJ Gaughan, Adam Hucke, Mr. Townsend, Nicole Honerkamp, Charlie Bourrage, Stephen Winkeler, Curtis McKay, Brian Kauling. **(Back)** : Mike Utnage, Jeff Pelch, Bridget Weir, Stephen Bolen, Kevin Zimmer, John Pajaras.



Wa do ba da bebop ba
scat bu du dleeow! The Jazz
combo fills the air with its
swingin' style.

This year's Jazz band is one of the smallest in Althoff's history. However, what it lacked in quantity, it made up for in quality. The musicians that graced the jazz band with their presence made it better than ever. The array of sounds played by the Jazz band included everything from the cool jazz of the 70's, to bebop, to Latin jazz, and of course, to swing. Mr. Townsend has proven himself the best

Steve Bolen, this year's *Louis Armstrong Jazz Award* winner, anxiously awaits his que to play.

John Sundstrom quickly shuffles his music in playing order.

These hip cats give the crowd a taste of their swingin' rhythm and their never-ending wellspring of talent.

Katie Warchol gives it her all while performing in the cafeteria for Althoff's annual open house.

JAZZ BAND

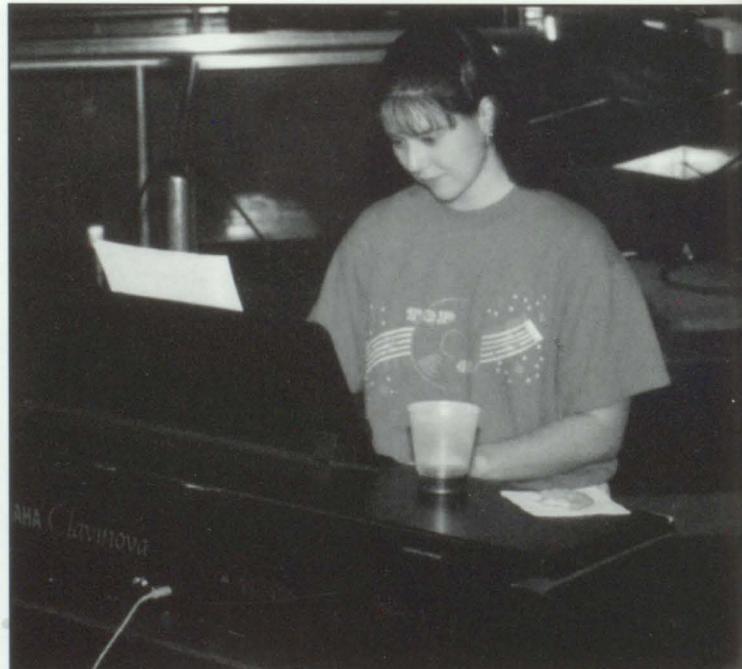
Music titans in the making

music director Althoff has seen in many, many years.

There is no better way to kickoff a music concert then with a hot jazz tune. This really gets the audience going. Always

remember those famous words uttered by Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington...

"It don't mean a thing, if it ain't got that swing!"



CAMPUS MINISTRY

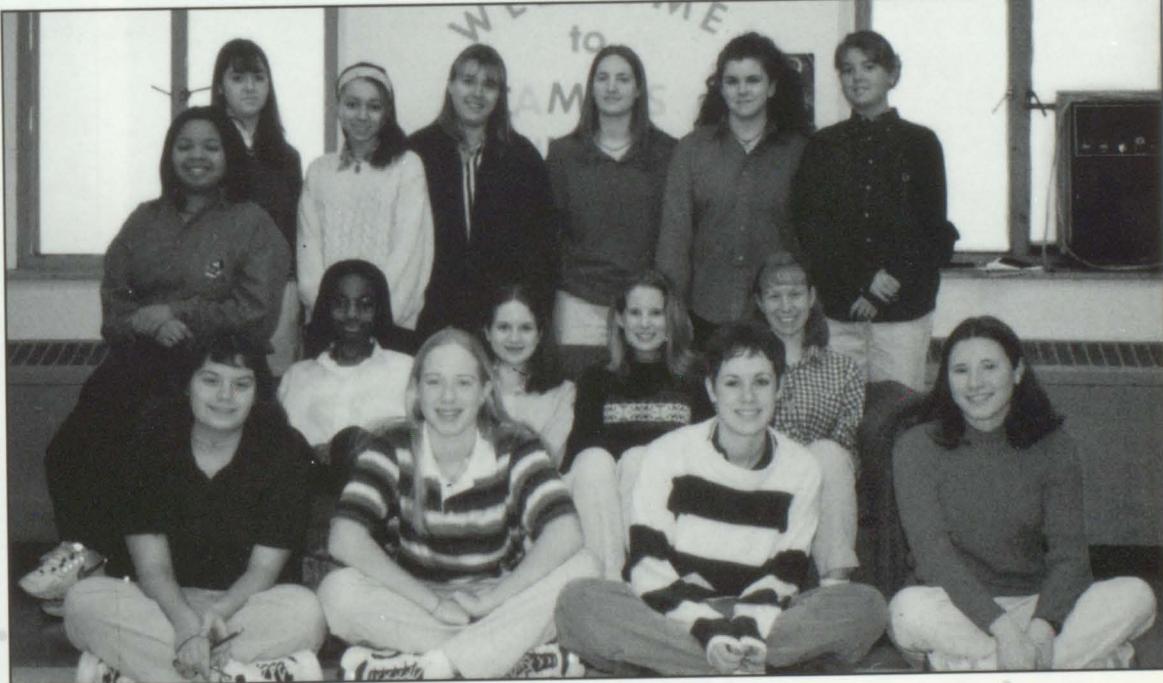
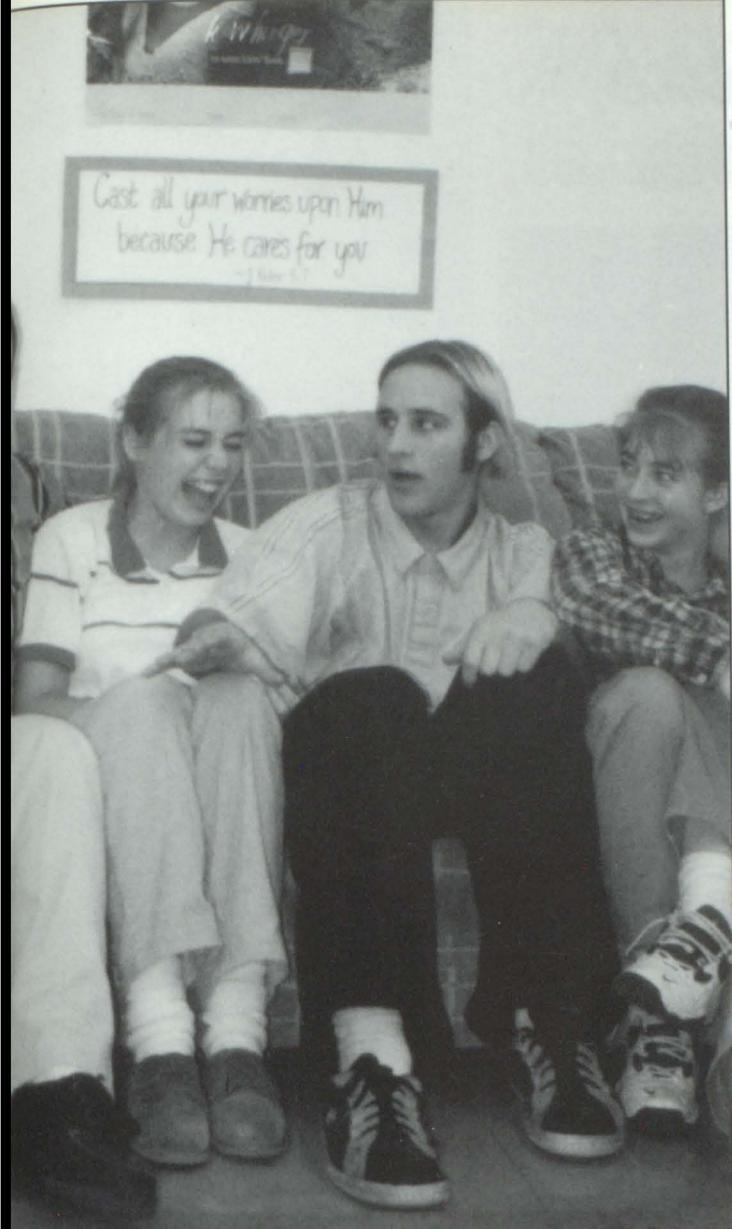
Lending a helping hand

When Campus Ministry comes to mind, many students think about a place to kick back and relax with friends. However, crashing on the comfortable couches is only one of Campus Ministry's multiple purposes. Miss Sara McGinnis has been very busy this year with the school liturgies, daily prayer, and the many different student retreats. One of the major responsibilities of Campus Ministry has been coordinating the activities of

the St. Vincent DePaul soup bus. Miss McGinnis was also the coordinator of over 175 senior service projects that helped get seniors at Althoff involved with the community.

The main focus of Campus Ministry is to facilitate the spiritual growth of the faculty, staff, and students at Althoff. Campus ministry is the lifeline that connects Althoff's spirit to the service of others.

- Jon Koehly, Carol Noel, Nick Powell, and Sara Murray sit in Campus Ministry on one of the many comfy couches.
- Miss McGinnis, the Campus Ministry coordinator, is caught doing what she does best - brightening up the room with her big smile and cheery personality.
- Soup Bus participants gather together for an organized photo before they take part in handing out food on the bus.



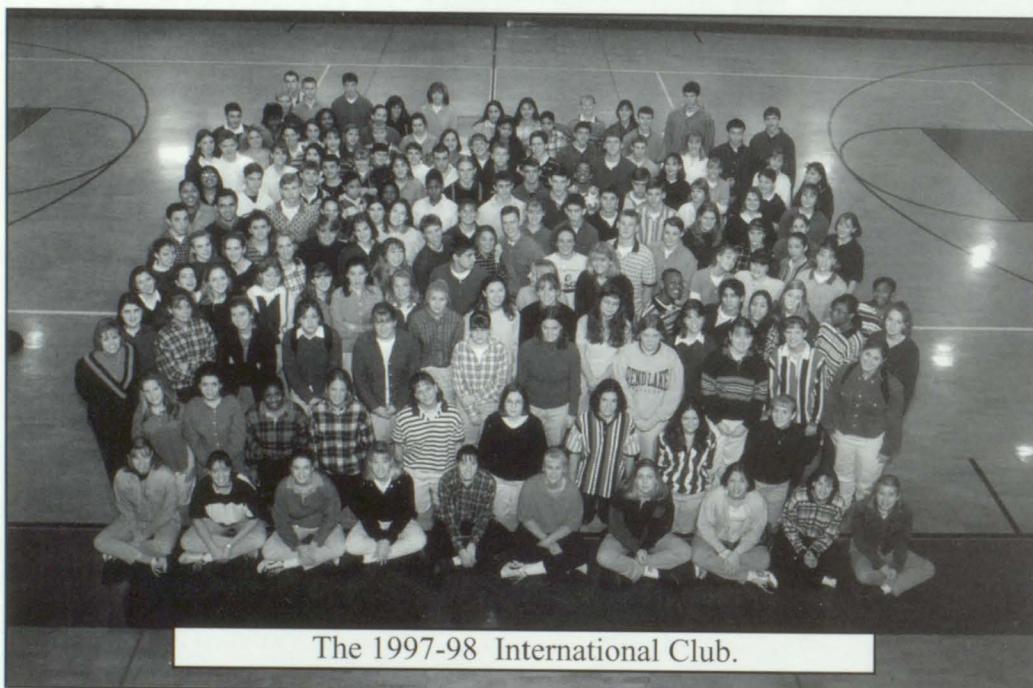
International Club

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS

Anew club this year, the International Language Club participates in many globe-spanning activities. Combining the Latin Club, French Club and Spanish Club, the International Language Club looks to learn more about the languages and cultures taught at Althoff.

Under the direction of the language teachers, the International Language Club shares ideas about things such as lifestyles, food and language differences. The Mardi Gras parade held this year taught the club about the celebrations held in different countries before Lent. A fun experience, the Mardi Gras parade led to a great time for all involved.

- Excited about "roaming the halls" during the International Club Mardi Gras Parade,
- Josh Rendleman, shows his Cajun Spirit.



The 1997-98 International Club.

Parading around the perimeter of the school, Lauren Friedrich, Katie Reed,



- (Right): Discussing their take on the days topics,
- Anni Peduzzi, Bryan Stolze and Matt Schmidt
- share their ideas.

Model U.N.

DELIBERATION TIME



Danielle Drev, and Becky Klazynski flash their Mardi Gras masks.



Modeling the trophy won at a competition, Courtney Sloger displayed pride in showing off her reward for hard work.

Model U.N. is a club for students who like to debate, have fun, and learn about the world around them. Club members participate by developing views of a country they are assigned, and use these views in a debate format modeled after the United Nations. Not only does this club teach about the world outside one's community, but it allows the member to grow as a person and develop confidence in themselves.

From Communist Rhetoric to religiously influenced governments, Model U.N. members have become experts on many of the nations of the world and the issues that shape the world today. The club has made great strides in the past few years. This year members received eight different awards at McKendree Model United Nations. These awards included four third place awards, and three first place awards, which went to Courtney Sloger, Joe Orlet and Tim Henry. Also, a first place award was given to Courtney Sloger for a written paper.

Under the leadership of Mr. Peterson, the club has expanded its activities to include Blackburn Model United Nations, and this year the club was awarded second place over all.

-Tim Henry



The 1997-98 Model United Nations Team

Althoff Auction

A MAGICAL EVENING

The theme of this year's annual auction was "A Touch of Magic." Preparations began weeks ahead and continued up until the last minute so that every detail would be perfect.

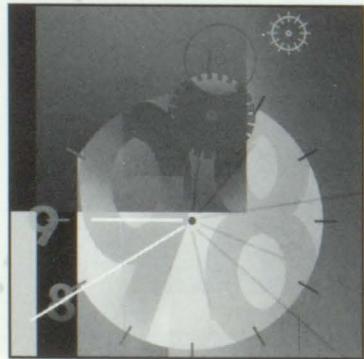
Many Student Ambassadors answered the call for help. They were easy to pick out in a crowd with their black pants, white shirts and red bow ties. Some students, over 16 years old, braved the cold night and worked as valet parkers. Others worked in the cloak room and in the cafeteria amid the silent auction items, answering questions and keeping watch over the merchandise.

The Shrine Restaurant catered the food and more

students helped with serving and cleaning up. Many of the Student Ambassadors worked in the super silent auction. They ran bids from tables up flights of stairs for all of the forty-five minute sessions. Others sorted bids in the balcony to find the lucky high bidder.

Many mothers and fathers also pitched in to help. They put in long hours after work and the Friday before the auction when the students of Althoff had a free day.

Parents proved to be some of the hardest workers the night of the auction, too. Despite the sore feet and tired faces, in the end, the Althoff Auction was a success as usual.



• (Above): Auction goers were welcomed to their night of magic by parent volunteers. There, they received all they needed to enjoy the evening.

• (Right): Auction attendees had lots to look at. These two browsed the basket boutique.

••••• (Left): Student volunteers worked in the cloak room as just one of their jobs. Here, Jackie Fahrner, Katie Allen and Lauren Selby look ready to work.

••••• (Right): The Crusader and his escort greet those attending the Auction.

Debbie Etling and Debbie Quartz were just two of the many volunteers. They worked hard for the oral auction.



Mothers' and Friends' Club VOLUNTEER HOURS

The Officers of the 1997-1998 Mothers and Friends Club: Linda Howenstein (Parliamentarian), Mary Wigginton (Treasurer), Debbie Schumacher (President), Pat Gibbs (Secretary), and Kathy Coughlin (Vice President).



Purpose of the Mothers' Club

To foster communication and a cooperative spirit among faculty, parents and students.

To support and assist the school in social, educational, and spiritual activities.

To conduct fundraising activities for the benefit of the school.

A Time to Serve

FATHERS AND FRIENDS

The Althoff Catholic High School Fathers' and Friends' Club works all year to support activities at Althoff. The group works to provide for students in many areas and gives financial support to various things including the general education fund, the spring play, the 1-8-1-8 scholarship program, the Fine Arts Banquet, the school yearbook, the football/cheerleader barbecue, etc. Along with the Althoff Mothers' Club, the organization contributes support and manpower to the Althoff Auction and the After Prom Party.

The Athletic Committee furnishes the field announcer, spotters and chain gang members for all home football games, as well as ticket sellers and ushers at all home

- John Johnston, Jim Neville, Ray Sonnenberg, Jeff Gundlach, and Jim Kassly show support for their children's school and have fun in the process.

football and basketball games. The Field and Grounds Committee maintains the sports complex behind the school and offers support for other school building maintenance programs.

The Fathers' Club raises funds for these activities through three main fundraisers during the year. These three functions are the Althoff Golf tournament, the weekly Monday Night Bingo at the CKL of I and the Spring Car Raffle.

The Fathers' Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. These meetings are short and provide the members with updates on committee work and other projects.

The Althoff Catholic High School Fathers' and Friends' Club helps to keep the school running smoothly. The students are very fortunate to be blessed with such shining examples of true kindness.

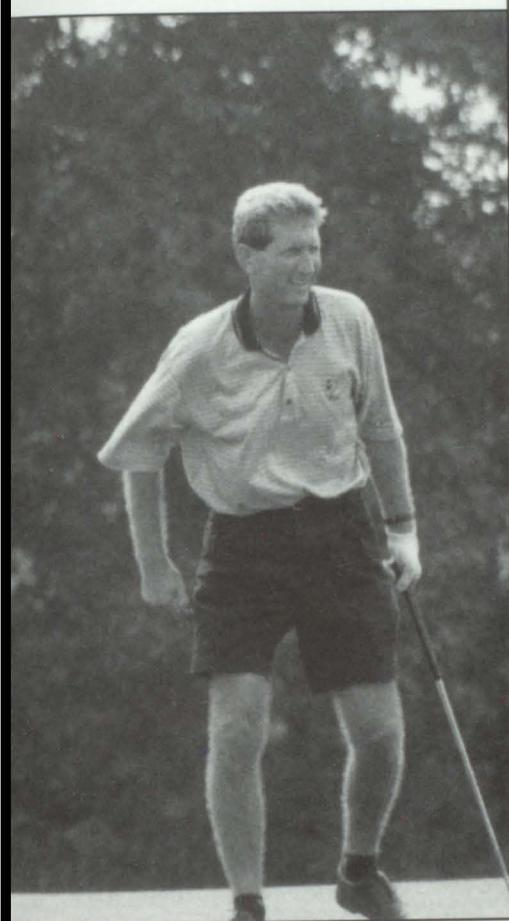
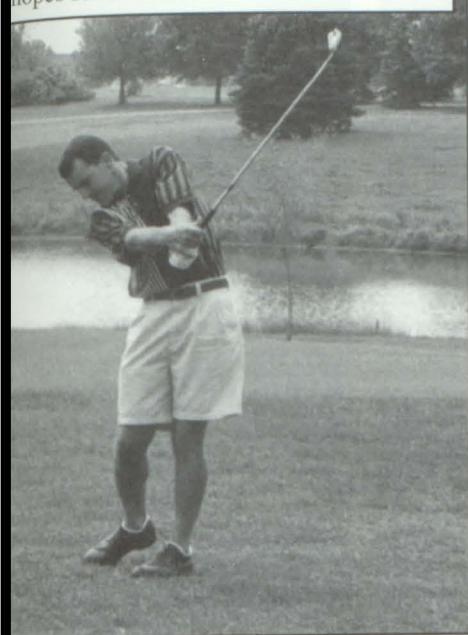
Off the tee, Rich Sauget watches his ball scream down the fairway.



Look at it go! Jerry Philips and his sidekick Mr. Howenstein, anxiously wait for the outcome of the putt.



Concentrating on his swing, Mike Carron hopes for a birdie.



• (Top): Off to the big green! Sr. Jan and Paul Schifferdecker get a head start on a day of fun and games in order to help the school.

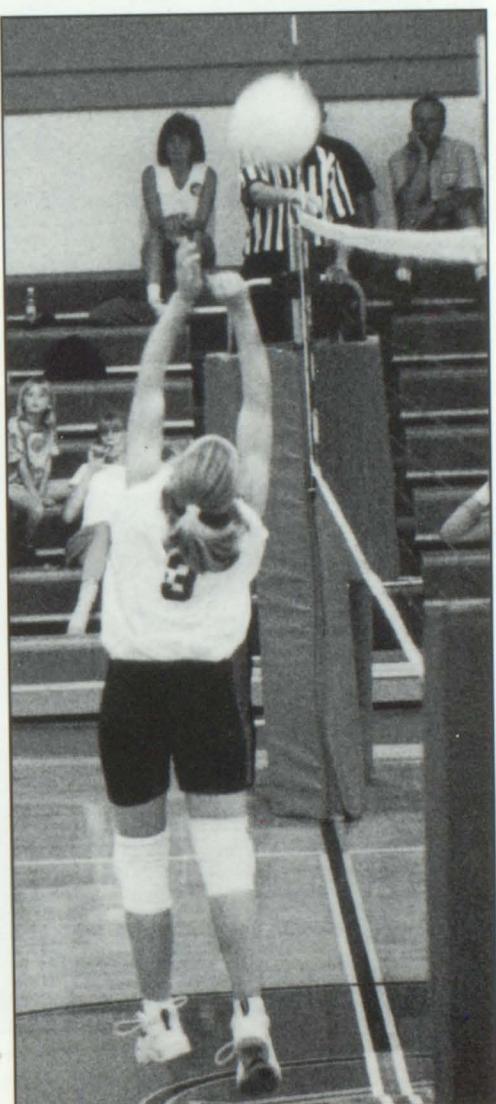
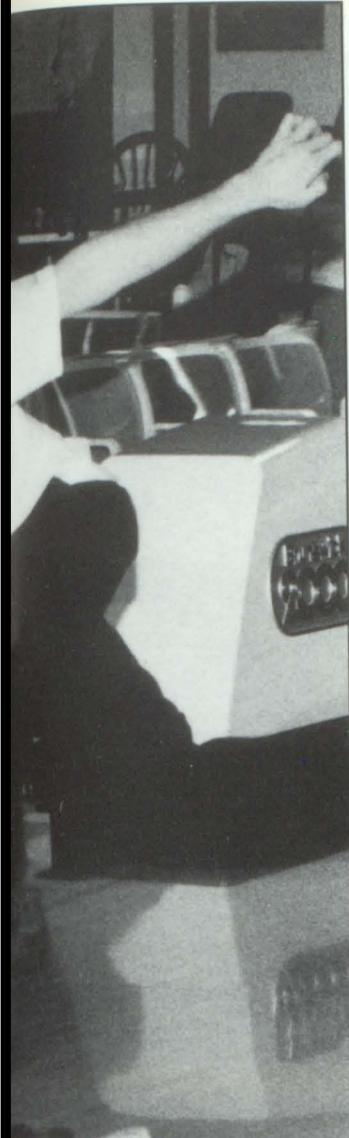
• (Left): Serving others, Dan Kessler and Pat Schwartz serve barbecue to the football team. Each year, the Fathers' Club sponsors a barbecue for the hard working football players.

Sports: AN INSTANT REPLAY

"To set the cause above renown,
To love the game beyond the price,
To honor while you strike him down,
The foe that comes with fearless eyes;
To count the life of battle good
And dear the land that you gave birth,
And dearer yet the brotherhood
That binds the brave of all the earth."

-Sir Henry Newbolt (1862-1938)





Every Play Counts

THE GAME OF THEIR LIVES

Although the 1997 Varsity Football Season did not turn out as well as expected, there were still a few bright spots that the whole team will remember. After a lopsided victory over Marion in the first game of the season, the whole city had high expectations for the team. But those expectations were never met.

Even though they finished with a 2-7 record, one victory will be remembered forever. On a warm September's night two teams finally met for the first time in almost two decades. Althoff versus Mater Dei; the battle everyone was waiting for.

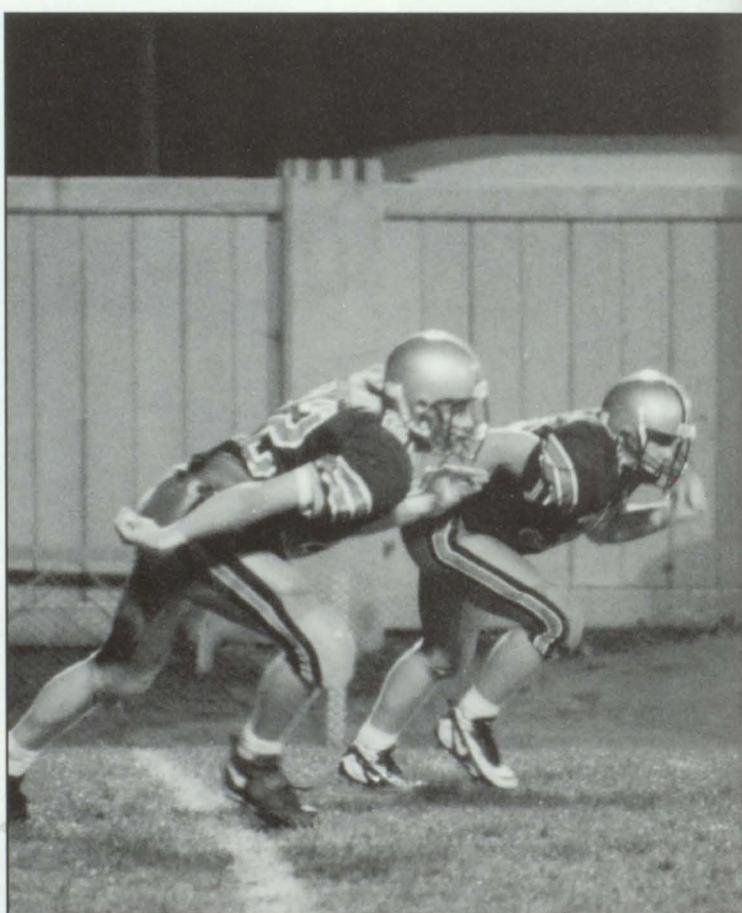
Mater Dei had a good team and felt it was their year to

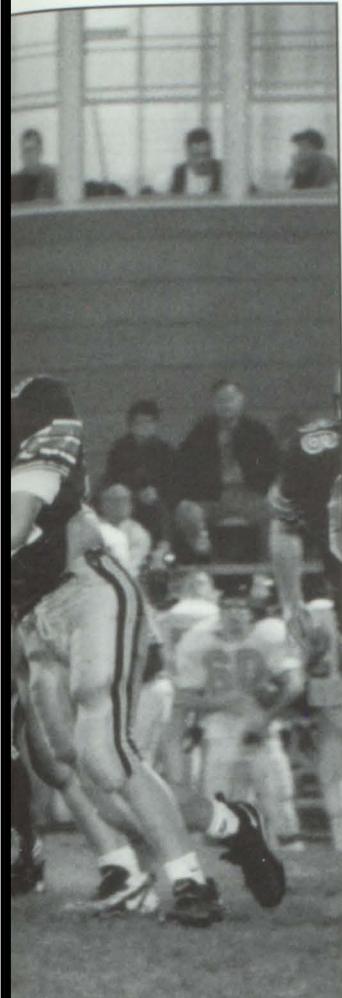
beat us, but Althoff had different ideas. The Crusaders went out in front of over two thousand fans and outplayed their rival. When the final buzzer sounded Althoff had beaten Mater Dei 28-13. That is the game that all Althoff alumni will remember for the rest of their lives. Although the season did not turn out as expected, the bright spot will shine for the rest of their lives.

After a disappointing 2-7 season, the sophomores still have high hopes for next year. They learned much and improved their skills. The Freshmen team also had a good season. When asked about the football team's abilities, Coach Gillum said, "This class could be a playoff team."

• (Below): Team Co-Captains, David Porter, Jason Friedrich, and Matt Colbert focus on the game. They watch the other three captains Justin Siegel, Steve Siebert, and Jose Castorena perform on defense.

• (Right): Justin Siegel and Steve Siebert lead block for the Crusaders patented 45 slant. This play in the past has led the Crusaders to three state championships.

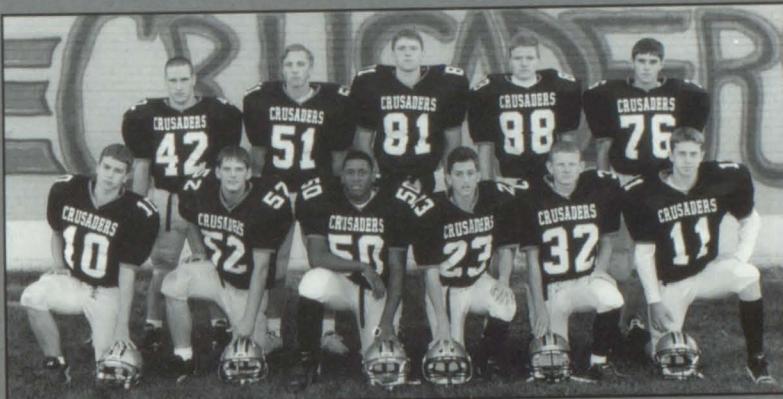




Varsity: (Front) : T. Demick, A. Huskey, J. Dickemper, A. Emig, M. Nance, D. Quartz, S. Seibert; (Second) : C. Yarber, D. Ludy, J. Siegel, M. Colbert, P. McCann, S. Simonin, C. Whittaker, J. Castorena; (Third) : P. Shaw, C. Howard, D. McNeese, M. Derfler, R. Donahue, J. Koehly, N. Junker, S. Hampton, G. Luckey; (Fourth) : S. Fahrner, J. Beever, C. Patterson, D. Porter, K. Clayton, P. Foley, D. Fitzsimmons, M. Young; (Back) : D. Peil, Asst. Coaches: T. Gillum, M. Kofler, and M. Abegg; Head Coach: G. Schott, Asst. Coaches: B. Harr, E. Eschman, C. Coughlin; J. Friedrich; Back Row: T. Wescovich, S. Simonin, C. Maxwell, J. Tilmon, J. Orlet, J. Stockley, A. Gilbert

Sophomore:

Front Row: Matt Derfler, TJ Demick, Darwin Franklin, PJ Nash, Ryan Donahue, Tim Wescovich; Back Row: Pat Shaw, Doug Busekrus, Dan Fitzsimmons, Shawn Coughlin, Rob Schmitt.



David Porter and Dan Quartz lead the crusaders out to battle. This walk is known by anyone who has worn a Crusader football uniform.



• The Crusaders show team spirit and support. Even when not in the game, the rest of the team shows their involvement.

"It takes teams like ours to really appreciate the good ones."

- Matt Colbert

SCOREBOARD

Marion	W
Jerseyville	L
Cahokia	L
Riverview-Gardens	L
Mater Dei	W
Cape Central	L
Jackson	L
Poplar Bluff	L
Springfield-Griffen	L

1997-1998 Althoff Golf



Varsity Golf (Front): R. Berneking; R. Hammel. (Back): A. Sonnenberg; J. Svoboda; Coach Karowski; B. Blacharczyk; C. Renner



Girls Golf (Front): A. Kurowski; A. Selby; C. Hammel; N. Cermak; (Back): K. Hopkins; Coach Kurowski; L. Selby. Not Pictured: Heather Wescoat



J.V. Golf
(Front)
Jason Elbe
Ryan Connor
(Back)
Charlie Klaus
Jason Svoboda
Michael Sintzel
David Haas

Boys Varsity Golf

Cahokia 1-1	Dupo 1-0
Bunker Hill 1-0	Greenville 1-0
Gibault 3-0	Edwardsville 0-3
Columbia 1-0	Metro East 0-1
Marquette 2-0	Alton 0-1
Red Bud 1-1	Granite City 0-1
Mater Dei 2-0	O'Fallon 0-1
Waterloo 2-0	Centralia 0-1
Freeburg 1-0	New Athens 0-1
Belleville W. 1-1	Roxana 0-1
Mascutah 1-0	Stawnton 0-1
Coulterville 1-0	

Tee Time

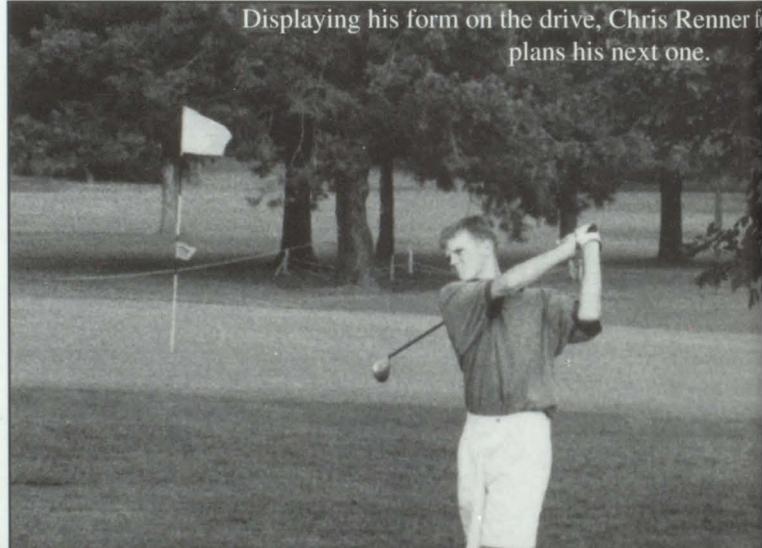
The 1997 Golf Team had a tough act to follow for this year. Following numerous top finishes in state, and state champion members, this year's team was challenged with youth and a tougher schedule. Moving up to Class AA meant longer practices and playing the "big" schools match after match. After losing a few key players to graduation, the team depended on young talent.

Brent Blacharczyk made it to sectionals and was also named to the All-Journal Golf Second Team. The other boys also had a successful season.

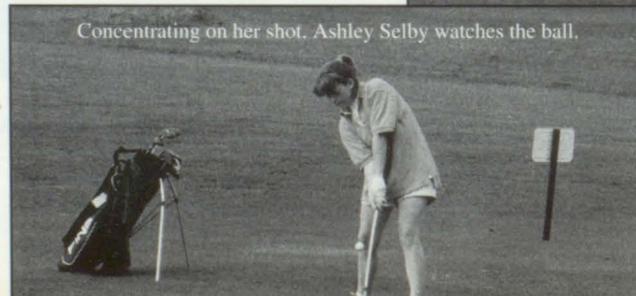
The Girls Golf Team had a full seven golfer line-up this year. In addition, Heather Wescoat and Katie Hopkins qualified for sectionals. Also a young team, the girls looked for continued success for years to come.

In all, the 1997 Golf Team had both a successful and challenging season, and should be proud of their accomplishments.

Displaying his form on the drive, Chris Renner plans his next one.



Concentrating on her shot, Ashley Selby watches the ball.



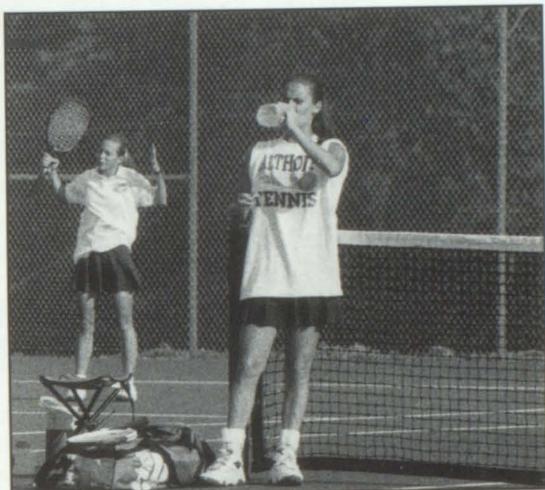
ulous season was the goal of the Girls Tennis Team. Dragich reaches to hit her overhead.



Serving Time

The 1997 Girls Tennis Team set many goals for the season. With a new coach, many talented players, and new court at school, all of the members looked forward to practice and matches. Led by the four seniors Julie Dougherty, Katie O'Malley, and co-captains Kim Herbeck and Kristin Richards, the Lady Crusaders started off strong with a top 3 finish in the Belleville West Tournament.

Dougherty, playing number 1 singles for the third year, received many top seeds in tournaments. Sarah Thompson also had a very successful season, despite injury. In all, 4 players qualified for state, Dougherty and Thompson for singles, and Stacey Evansco and Julie Howenstein for doubles. The season ended with a 9-4 record and the team continues to build for the future.



Playing number two singles for the team this year, Sarah Thompson catches her breath after a hard fought game.



1997-1998 Althoff Girls Tennis



Girls Tennis Team (Front): B. Klazynski, S. Wuller, J. Bauer, J. Shadwick, L. Fritz, L. Yociss, J. Riley. (Middle): J. Jones, C. Diedrich, B. Larson, K. Stonewater, M. Shadwick, M. Neely, J. Dragich, A. Threlkeld. (Back): Coach Irwin, S. Evansco, J. Howenstein, K. O'Malley, K. Richards, J. Dougherty, K. Herbeck, S. Thompson, L. Stoeber.

1997 Althoff Girls Tennis
Waterloo-W
Alton-W
Marquette-W
Belleville East-L
O'Fallon-W
Collinsville-W
Centralia-W
Belleville West-L
Granite City-W
St. Joseph's Academy-L
Mascoutah-W
Edwardsville-L
Highland-W
Varsity Record 9-4

Volleyball A SEASON OF MIRACLES

"Nobody expected us to win because we were the underdogs. We believed that we could do it from the beginning, and we did."

- Coach Kathy Crotty Wuller

The Lady Crusader Volleyball team started out the season with a bang. After fifteen games, their record was 12-3. In addition to working out the kinks at the start of the season, the Lady Crusaders also had to deal with having multiple injuries.

Hard work, determination, and experience brought the team to its very best. Varsity player Michelle Allen commented, "It was really exciting to see how the varsity team worked together."

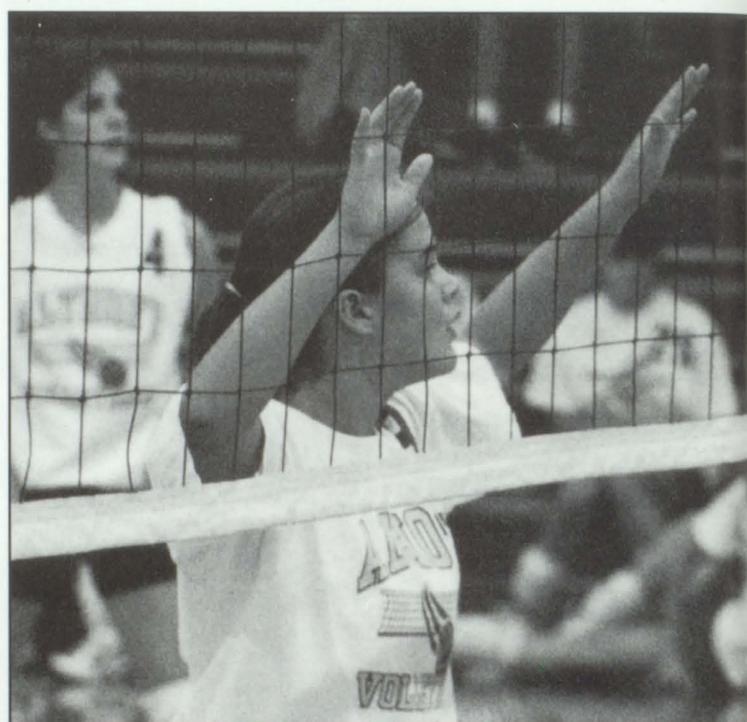
- Seniors Jenny Young, Laura Johnson, Janet Venorsky, Ashley Bennet, Michelle Allen, and Amy Rickmann celebrate their first place victory at the Carbondale Tournament by taking a dip.

Through many games that left the fans on the edge of their seats, through many tough opponents, the Lady Crusaders ended their season with a record of 22-8 after pulling themselves out of a tough slump.

The Lady Crusaders delivered what no one expected when they defeated Belleville West in the semi-finals. It seemed that the Lady Crusaders were headed for glory, and nearly reached it. They were unsuccessful in the Regional Championships where they lost to Belleville East but were successful in gaining the appreciation and respect of many Althoff fans.



JV Volleyball (Back): Katie Williams, Katie Kloess, Laura Schmieder, Catie Parker, Jill Foppe, Melissa Meddows. (Middle): Stacy Sieben, Kelly Peil, Katie Allen, Rebecca Chaput, Sarah Renner. (Front): Emily Scannell, Therese Siebert, Lisa Padgett.



JV SCOREBOARD

Breese Central	W
Waterloo	W
Freeburg	W
Gibault	W
E. St. Louis	W
St. Joseph	W
Hazelwood Central	W
Belleville West	L

- Concentrating on the volley, Becky Chaput prepares to block.



• Kelly Peil reaches for the sky as she blocks an opponent's spike.



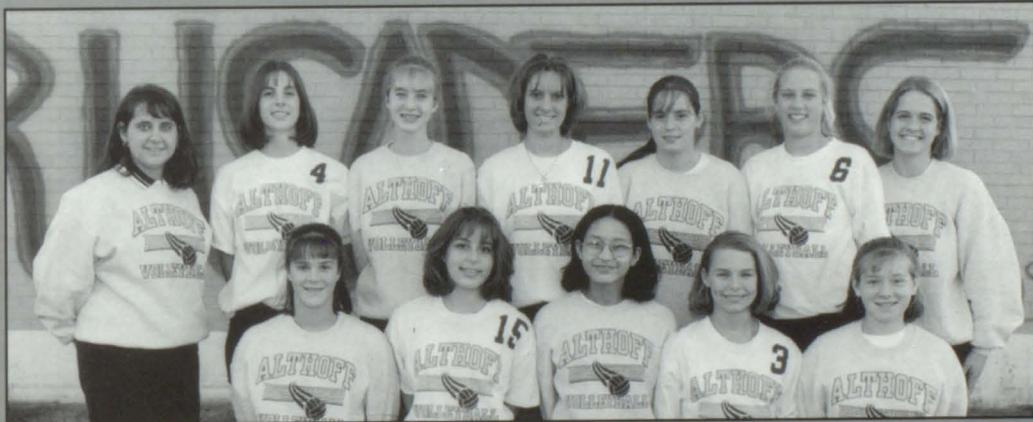
Varsity: (Back): Michelle Allen, Amy Rickmann, Jenny Young, Ashley Bennett, Janet Venorsky, Coach Kathy Crotty Wuller; (Middle): Katie Kloess, Laura Schmieder, Lisa Padgett, Kari Karban, Stacy Sieben, Laura Johnson; (Front): Katie Cerneka, Emily Scannell, Suzanne Gundlach, Jill Foppe.

VARSITY SCOREBOARD

Breese Central	L	Mascoutah	W
Waterloo	W	Belleville East	L
Freeburg	W	Cahokia	W
Gibault	W	Mater Dei	L
E. St. Louis	W	Red Bud	W
St. Joseph	L	O' Fallon	W
Hazelwood Central	W	Lincoln	W
Belleville West	L		

FRESHMEN SCOREBOARD

Breese Central	L	Mascoutah	W
Waterloo	W	Belleville East	W
Freeburg	W	Cahokia	W
Gibault	W	Mater Dei	L
Hazelwood Central	W	Red Bud	W
Belleville West	L	O' Fallon	W



Freshman Volleyball (Back): Coach Gundlach, Therese Seibert, Sara Murray, Katie Bockewitz, Kristen Cordes, Kelly Peil, Laura Gundlach. (Front): Rebecca Chaput, Katie Allen, Kathy Green, Samantha Easterley, Sarah Renner.

^{SOCER} *A Strong Finish*

Althoff's Varsity Soccer Team had a streaky year. Although the Crusaders had their first winning season in three years, there were many heartbreaks along the way. Starting off the season with a loss to West, Althoff rebounded to defeat Waterloo, the eventual Sectional Champions. At one stretch of season the Crusaders lost six out of eight games; at another stretch they won six straight games, almost tying the school record.

For the first time, the Crusaders played in the Hazelwood Central Tournament which consisted of many Missouri powerhouses. In the tournament,

Althoff had their greatest game of the season, beating Rosary, the number one small school on both sides of the river. Once again, the Crusaders dominated play in the Alton Tournament until losing in the finals with a score of 1-0.

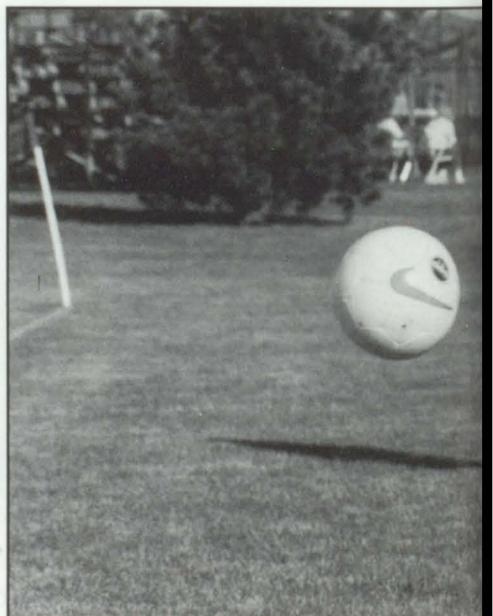
For the first time in Illinois soccer history, the high school division was split into two classes, A (small) and AA (large). The Crusaders received the number one seed in their sectional, which was also a first in Althoff history. With an amazing win over Columbia won in the last seconds of the game, the Crusaders reached the Sectional Final. In the Final, the Crusaders dominated the first eighty minutes of the game and were winning 1-0. But Waterloo didn't give up, and found a breakdown in the Crusader's play. Waterloo scored two goals in the last ten minutes of play. That was the most emotional loss the seniors experienced in their four years of playing together.

Because of several key players playing on the varsity and freshmen ranks, the JV didn't get the quality practice time to develop into a cohesive unit. Despite posting a 2-9-3 record, coach Bob Emig believes the players will develop in the off-season to contribute to the varsity in the coming years.

(Far right): Going to all extremes for his team, Joe Benker makes an awesome save during practice before a game.

(Below right): With a strong follow through, Dave Beeson pushes the ball toward the goal. Dallas Zimmer watches with admiration.

(Below): Always on his toes, Dave Woodrome keeps the ball away from his opponent. Dave led the Crusaders in goals with 15.





Varsity (Front): Dave Sendejas, Dallas Zimmer, Joe Benker, Josh Brown, Mike Dueker, Kevin Zimmer, Alex Bishop, and Mike Diak; (Middle): Tim Bugg, Mike Halvachs, Chuck Scott, Mark Tampow, and Alex Micka; (Back): Coach Dave Stosberg, David Woodrome, Eric Toennis, Adam Emig, Adam Cannady, Kurt Schrier, Derek Schmieder, Frank Weber, Dave Beeson, Asst. Coach Craig Dippel, and Coach Bob Emig

Below: Dribbling the ball, Frank Weber shows his incredible soccer skills.



Junior Varsity (Front): Jeff Smith, Greg Phillips, Jake Becker, Ryan Bement, Josef Gabriel, Justin Hemmel, Russell Noel; (Middle): Chris Fiudo, Ryan Carron, Joey Mark, Alex Bishop, Jonas Clapp, Tim Bugg, Dallas Zimmer, Nathan Tebbe; (Back): Dave Sendejas, Jon Timko, Darin Micka, Justin Cordes, Coach Bob Emig, Mark Tampow, Evan Bolesta, Dan Baudensistel, Ryan Donahue

Varsity Soccer
 Belleville West-L
 Waterloo-W
 Edwardsville-L
 Mater Dei-W
 Carbondale-W
 O'Fallon-L
 Quincy Notre Dame-L
 Hazelwood Central Tourney-L, W, L
 Highland-T
 Jackson, MO-L
 Springfield H.S.-L
 Cape Central-W
 Wesclin-W
 Gibault-W
 Alton Tourney-W, W, W, L
 Belleville East-L
 RECORD: 10-10-1



Freshmen (Front): Daniel Reiniger, Pat Neal, Joe Garner, Aaron Frances, Ryan Donahue; (Middle): Matt Warchol, John Bell, Jimmy Kassly, Jeremy Hodgson, Ryan Bement, Lloyd Cueto, Greg Norkus; (Back): Chris Jordan, Chris Fiudo, Jeff Smith, Josef Gabriel, Jacob Hottenrott, Mark Tampow, Coach Palazzolo



Fast Paced Fun

CHEERLEADING

"If cheerleading was any easier, they would call it football!" - *the team*

Cheerleading, a sport? Oh yeah! Despite some stereotypes, our Althoff cheerleaders are proving that it takes a lot of athleticism, dedication, and hard work. It happens to be the longest-lasting sport. Cheerleading requires two hours of practice, three days a week for about ten months of the year.

All of our cheerleaders agree that this sport has helped them gain confidence. "I started out inexperienced and have since learned a lot," says Shawna Harris (captain).

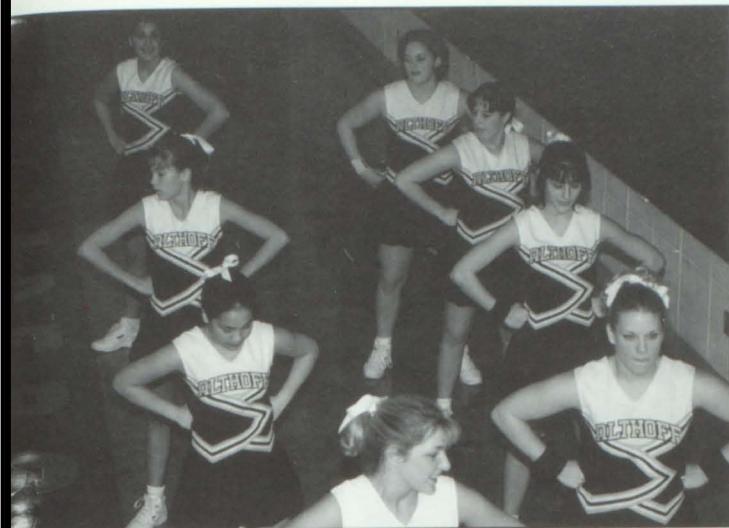
This diverse group of athletes have to raise their own funds for trips and uniforms. They hope to go to competition next year. We wish them luck!

- Team Members: Teri King,
- Katy Graham, Renee Smith,
- Kari Chester, Shawna
- Harris, Jamie Nunn,
- Chantal Huynh, Ann
- Moglia, and Bonnie
- Evansco.



Coach Aletha Moyer directs the team





The 1997-1998 Girls Swim Team



Swim Team: Christina Meddows, Melissa Meddows, Sara Prindable, Jocelyn English, and Kelly Peil.

Only a few feet from the end, a swimmer breaks into a full sprint. She gathers all the strength left in her exhausted body and reaches for the wall. The race is over. In a blink of an eye, the swimmer lost.

This year was Althoff's first in the girl's swimming world. As new kids on the block, they did extremely well. They were well-coached by Mickey Meddows, and competed in the state's regional competition in Springfield. The girls swam in relays and individually. The relay team placed 12th, with Senior Christina Meddows swimming the butterfly leg of the race. Sara Prindable, Melissa Meddows, and Christina Meddows competed individually in various 100-meter events. The Althoff Swim Team is on the prowl, so watch out for them.

A Winning Season

BOYS' BASKETBALL

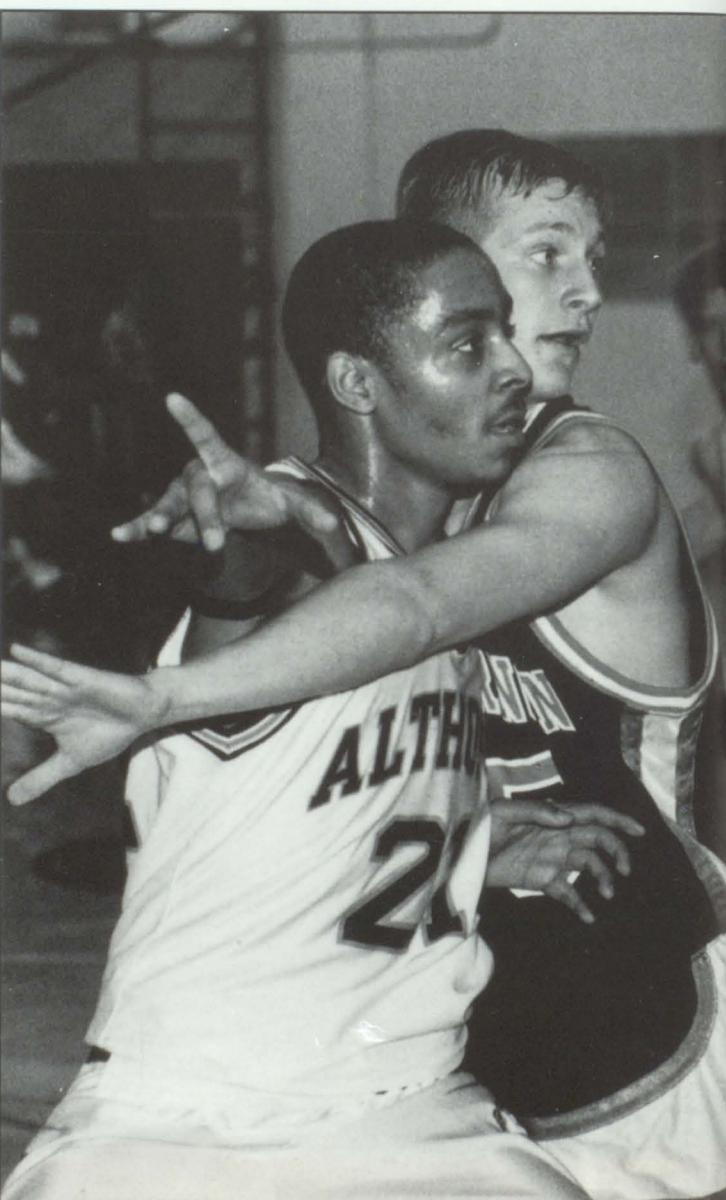
After a disappointing season last year, the boy's basketball team was back in fighting form and ready for a great year. With a 2-5 start to the season, things were looking down for the Crusaders, but the team picked up the pace. They finished the regular season by winning 16 out of their last 19 games.

During this stretch, the boys defeated three teams ranked in the state poll: Gibault, Mater Dei, and

Mount Vernon. This stretch also included a convincing win over cross-town rival Belleville West.

"I thought we could be this good, and I know our team did, but we were probably the only people in this city who thought we could have a season like this," said senior captain Ryan Blaha.

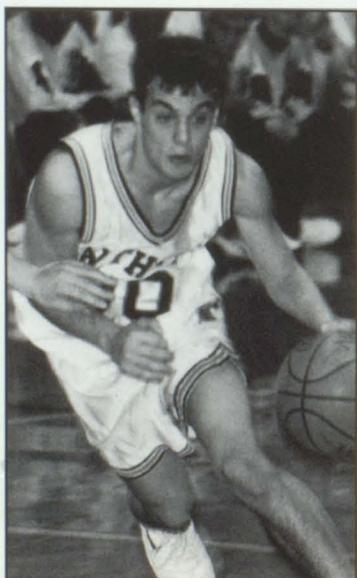
The Crusaders lost to O'Fallon in the first Round of the playoffs but look forward to next season.



• (Top right): Looking for an open player, Scott Timmermann eyes the defense. Scott led the team in three-point shooting and qualified for regional competition.

• (Above): This is how it's done. Coach Haida gives his JV team pointers on their way to a big win.

• (Right): Driving his way to the basket, Dave Deets lets no one stand in his way.





(Far above): Freshman Mark Tampow evades the defense on his way to the basket.

(Above): Ryan Blaha pushes his way through the defense and sets up his shot.

(Left): Setting up a play, Jo'Van Fisher directs his teammates to their positions. Jo'Van led the team in average points per game.

Boys' Basketball



Varsity (Front): Micheal Merritt, Keith Hoffmann, Dave Deets, Ryan Blaha, Scott Timmermann. (Back): Coach Deets, Jo'Van Fisher, Kenny Clayton, Dave Porter, Dan Peil, Stephen Fahrner.



Junior Varsity (Front): Mark Tampow, Keith Hoffmann, David Ladipo, Tom Keefe. (Back): Tim Wescovich, Kenny Clayton, Dan Fitzsimmons, Doug McMorris, Scot Harms, Pat McEvilly. (Not Pictured): Tom Wade

Scoreboard

Mascoutah-W

O'Fallon-L

Alton-L

Belleville East-L

Gibault-W

Centralia-L

Mater Dei Tournament-L,W,W,W,L

Wesclin-W

Freeburg-W

Lebanon-W

Springfield Griffin-W

Cahokia-W

Belleville East Tournament-L,W,W

Mt. Vernon-W

Mater Dei-W

Highland-L

Cape Central-W

Belleville West-W

Jerseyville-W

Okawville-W

Playoffs

O'Fallon-L

Record: 18-9

Future Looks Bright GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Less than a second remained on the clock during the regional game when Althoff had the ball on the inbound. The score was 48 to 51, Carbondale. The Lady Crusaders managed to get the ball out to the three point line. As the ball left the hands of the team's best shooter, the buzzer sounded. The ball hit the back of the rim, rolled around and bounced out, ending the season.

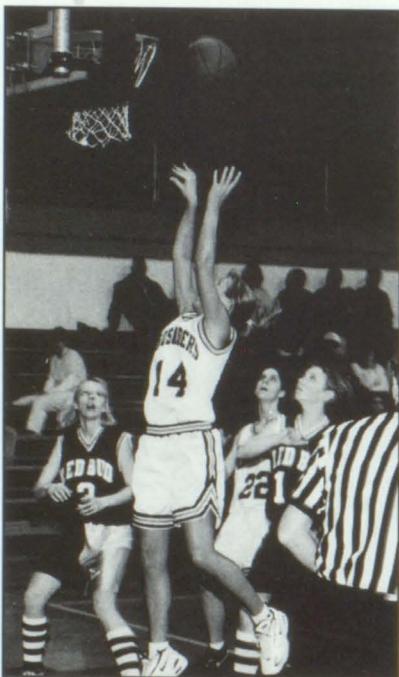
This year's team was plagued by a lack of Varsity experience and injury. They finished with an overall record of 9 and 14. The Varsity started the season off well, winning their first four games. The team's losses and injuries came hand in hand. First, Katie Cerneka, the starting outside guard, broke her finger. Next, senior Janet Venorsky tore her ACL and was out for the rest of the season. Just when the team was

starting to regroup, the only other senior, Jenny Young, severely sprained her ankle.

With all the upperclassmen out because of injuries, the spotlight began to shine on Freshman Tess Seibert and Sophomore Emily Scannell. Seibert contributed consistently in her scoring and rebounding. Scannell led the team in 3-point shooting. She tied the school's record of the most points scored by a single female in one game. Sophomore Lisa Padgett also aided the Varsity with her deadly 15-foot shot.

"The season went basically well," said Varsity Coach Karwoski, "considering the youth we had. The future looks very bright."

The JV and Freshmen teams also had awesome seasons. Both teams finished with winning records.



• (Above): Two Points! Emily Scannell takes the ball to the hoop. She led the Crusaders in scoring this year.

• (Above right): Coach Voss regroups his team during a crucial time out. The Freshman team finished the season with a record of 14 and 7.

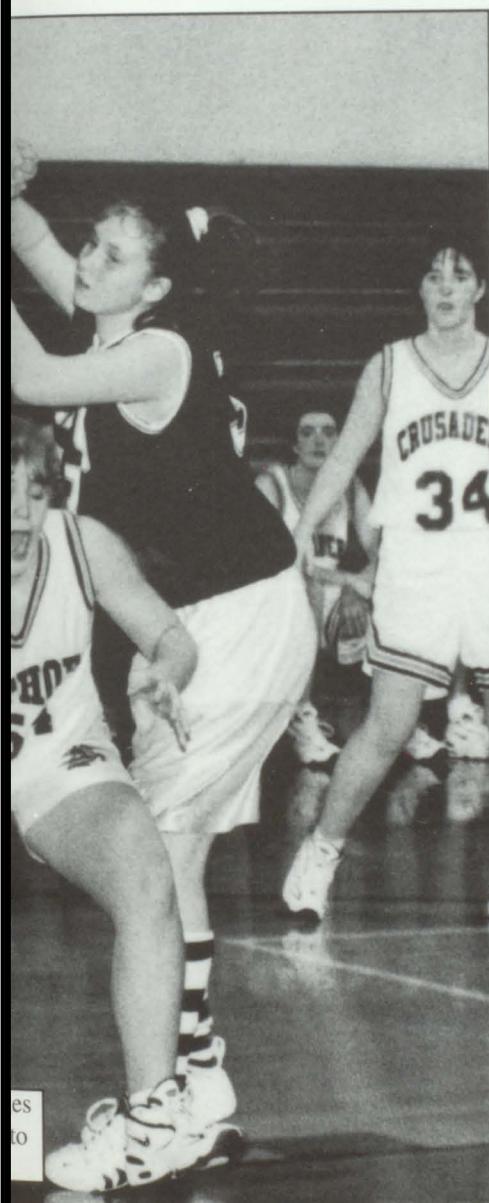
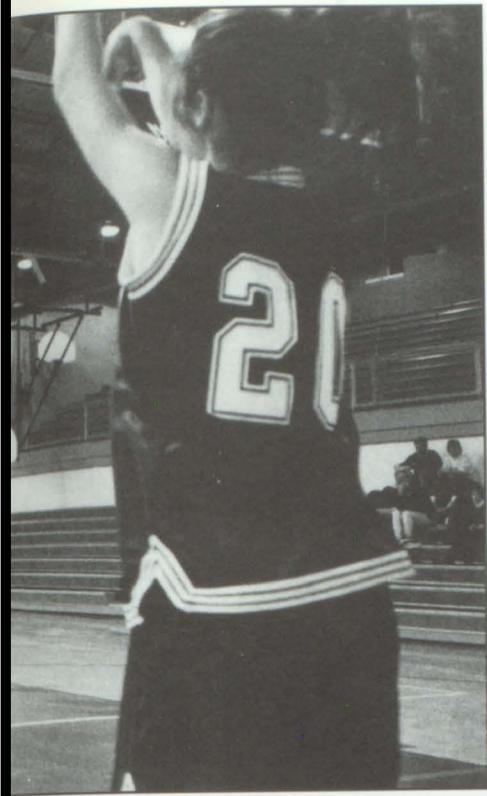
• (Right): Catch me if you can! Lauren Sintzel pushes the ball up the court as she out-races her opponents.



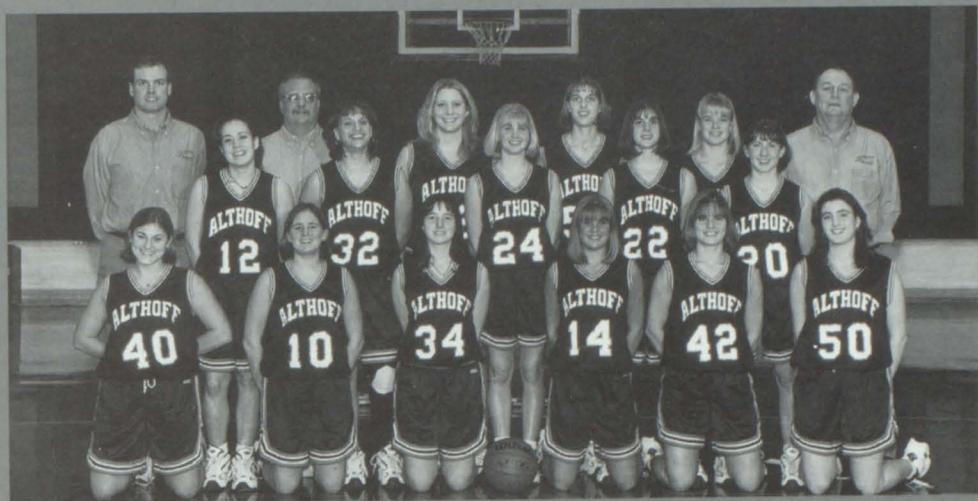
Standing at six foot, Senior Jenny Young towers towards the basket.



Look out! Peggy Feldman past her defender to lead the victory over Red Bud.



1997-1998 Girls Basketball



Varsity (Front): Katie Cerneka, Katie Kloess, Laura Schmieder, Emily Scannell, Suzanne Gundlach, Lindsay Kolb. (Middle): Joanne Olsen, Janet Venorsky, Lisa Padgett, Tess Seibert, Alison Threlkeld. (Back): Coach Voss, Coach Moser, Jenny Young, Becky Bisso, Jessica Catto, Coach Karwoski



Junior Varsity (Front): Laura Schmieder, Kelly Peil, Tess Seibert, Peggy Feldmann. (Middle): Lisa Padgett, Joanne Olsen, Katie Hopkins, Lauren Sintzel, Alison Threlkeld. (Back): Coach Moser, Lindsay Kolb, Jessica Catto, Trisha Hitsman, Suzanne Gundlach, and Coach Voss



Freshmen (Front): Kristen Cordes, Melanie Shadwick, Lauren Sintzel, Kathy Green. (Back): Coach Voss, Kelly Peil, Liz Grimm, Sara Murray, Samantha Easterly, Tess Seibert, Casey Diedrich, Tiffany Sheridan.

VARSITY SCOREBOARD	
Opponent	W/L
East St. Louis	1-0
Belleville East	1-0
Gibault	1-0
Belleville West	1-1
Chester	1-0
Triad	1-0
Red Bud	1-0
Mater Dei	0-1
Wesclin	0-1
Saint Joe's Academy	0-1
Mascoutah	0-1
Civic Memorial	0-1
O'Fallon	0-2
Visitation	0-1
Carlyle	0-1
Breese Central	0-2
Carbondale	0-1

Crusader Wrestling



Althoff Wrestling: (Front): Blake Dintelman and Dan Quartz. (Middle): Dominic Wier, JJ Young, Matt Stump, Mike Melvin, and Jerome Tilmon. (Back): Andy Huskey, Pat Shaw, Tom Young, Dustin Schloemann, Jason Stockley, and Coach Garland.

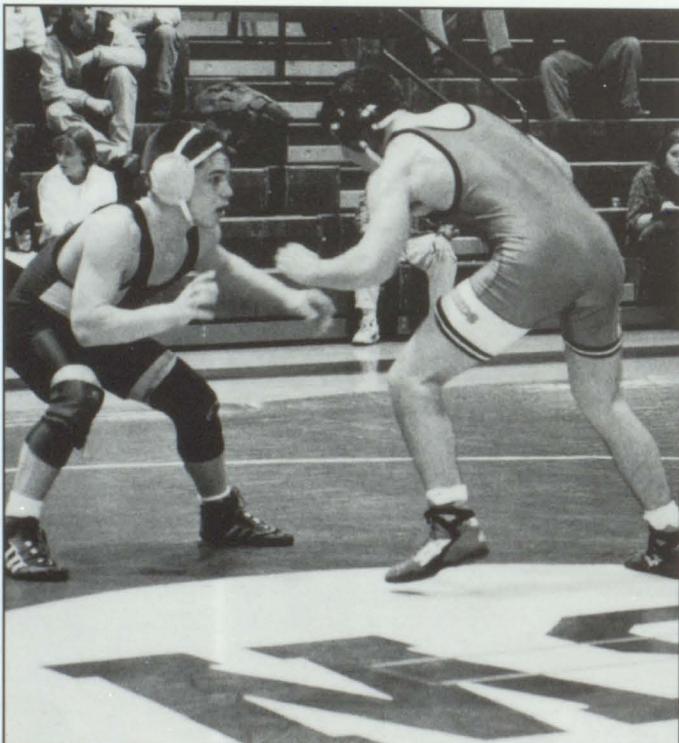
Althoff Wrestling Scoreboard 10-10-1

State Qualifiers:

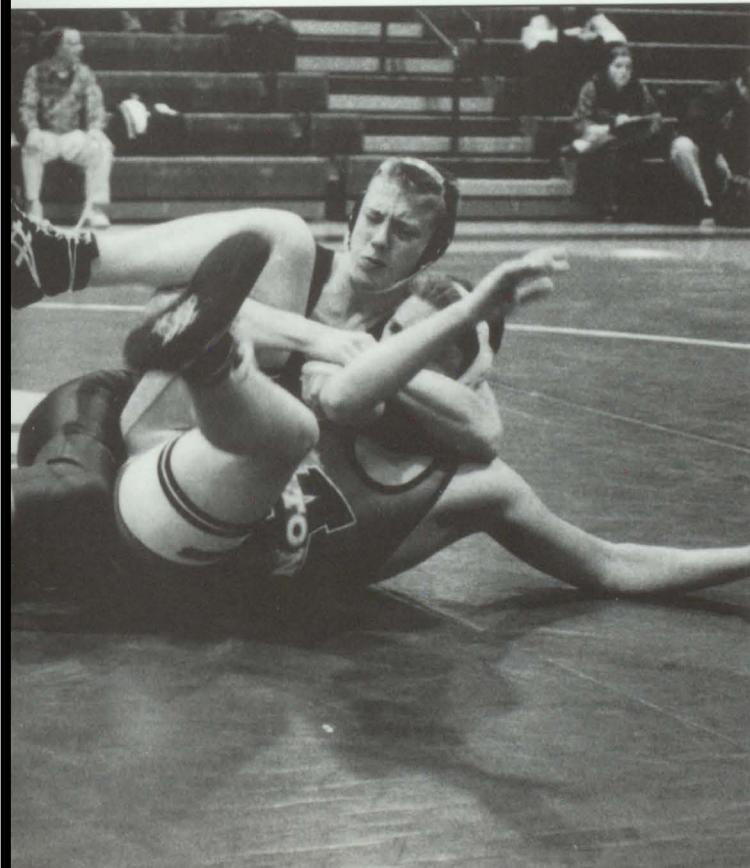
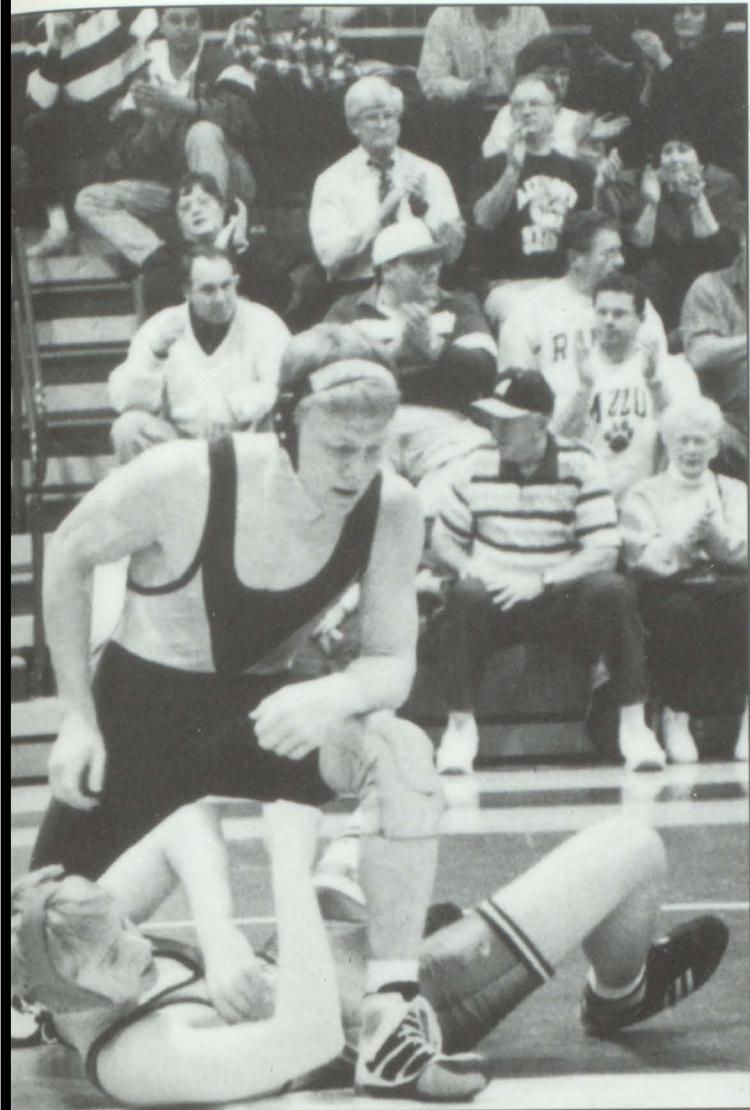
125 lb.-Dustin Schloemann
140 lb.-Andy Huskey
152 lb.- Dan Quartz- 3rd

• (Near right): State qualifier, Andy Huskey skillfully plans his next winning move. Andy made an amazing comeback after missing the first half of the season due to injury.

• (Far right): Jason Stockley uses a cradle move against his opponent. Jason, the only senior on the team, finished the season with an 11-5 record.



Dan Quartz fights his way to another victory.



Timing is Everything

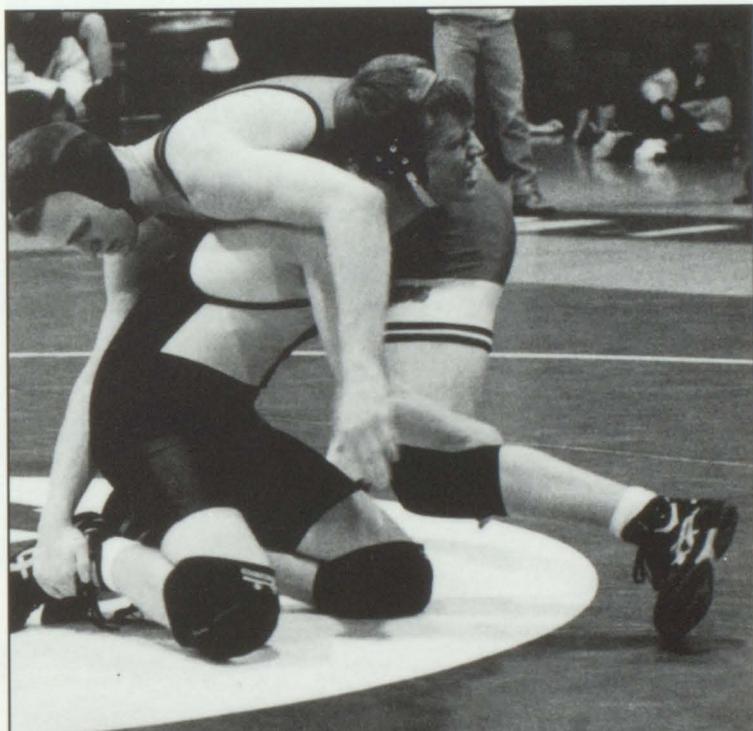
The 1998 Crusader Wrestling Team had an impressive season with a 10-10-1 record. The Crusaders faced a difficult start with Andy Huskey out with a torn ACL and MCL.

The freshmen contributed a lot to the team and hopefully will continue to help the Crusaders in the years to come. Three wrestlers were state qualifiers. Juniors Dan Quartz and Andy Huskey and freshman Dustin Schloeman competed in the state tournament at the

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

These wrestlers made an excellent showing at the tournament. Dan Quartz placed third in state with his only loss of the season. Dan finished with an amazing 47-1 record.

Senior leadership was provided by Jason Stockley. Juniors Blake Dintelman and Andy Huskey look to improve on their efforts next year. Despite tough competition, the wrestlers had a strong finish to a great season.



JJ Young, a state qualifier, keeps his opponent from pinning him. Defense is just as important as offense is in wrestling.

Rally Time! BASEBALL

It's the American pastime, and for Althoff, baseball is one of the most popular sports. Despite the crazy El Niño springtime weather that made practices difficult to schedule, Althoff proved that it could stay on top.

It was an exciting season for the Freshmen, Sophomore and Varsity teams. All of our talented players really know how to stir up the games and bring old and new fans back to

our baseball diamonds.

Varsity Coach Isaacs believes the boys played well and represented Althoff as a team with talent. Hopefully next year we will be even better!

- Round they go! Brad Beatty races for home!

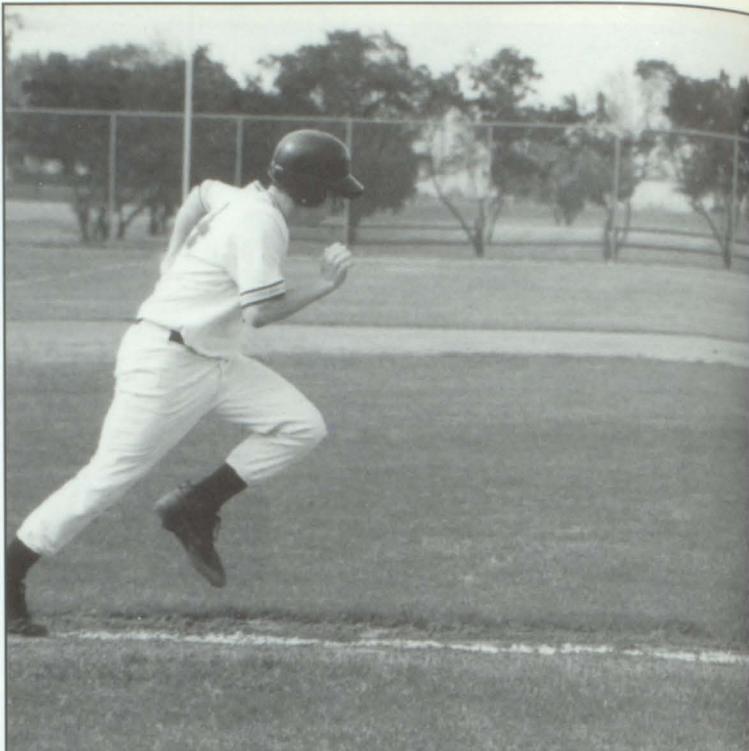
"All of the games this year were fun, especially the away trips."

-Jake Becker



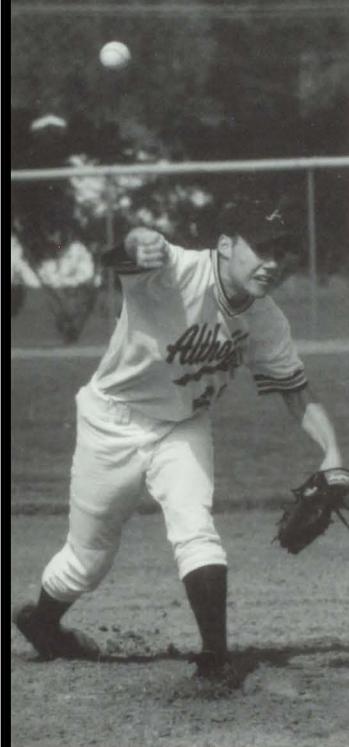
- (Above): What a hit! Pat Shaw is just about to slam that ball as this quick pic was captured.

- (Right): Jim Beever prepares to bat as his teammate leaves the plate.





Way to throw it in there Mark!
Tampow's pitch is really on
the ball!



(Above left): That's the
pitcher's stance. Doug
McMorris stays focused as he
drives the ball into the plate.



The old American pastime requires patience.
Varsity players wait and watch as their team is at bat.



Anxious to be in the action, these sophomores wait their turn.

Half-Time

POMS PERFECT PERFORMANCE

As half-time approaches, the crowd anticipates the entrance of the pom pom squad. They dazzle the crowd with upbeat music, smiling faces, and difficult lifts.

Performing, however, is not the only feat of the pom pom squad. The girls work ten months out of the year. First, preparing for summer camp in the early morning sun of the summer months, the team begins looking toward the long season.

As the thrill of showcasing their talents at

football and basketball games dies down, the seriousness of competition sets in. After six regional competitions, the team excelled at super sectionals. They took first place in their pom category and second in pom/dance. At State, the girls faced an enormous challenge—competing for the first year in the AA category. Althoff's pom pom squad placed fourth in the pom category and received honorable mention in pom/dance—a great way to close a very successful season.



Lisa Hepp, Jocelyn English, and Stephanie Boone have a different pose for poms.



- Besides smiling, dancing, and having fun, hard work and concentration also play a part in the pom squad's genre.



Pom Pon Squad: Casee Hagen, Heidi Larson, Sara Prindable, Lindsey Theobold, Jocelyn English, Maria Fahrner, Stephanie Boone, Katie Friederich, Vicki Schumacher. Bottom: Jamie Sperry, Niki Ogden, Jennifer Stogner, Katie Schumacher, Lisa Hepp, Suzanne Heinzl, Melanie Reiniger, and Jennifer Whitecotton.



• (Above): At a half time show during a home game, the pommies kick up their heels and dance for their school.

• (Left): The girls show their school spirit and their teamwork as they put together this exhibit of "Candyman". He's a sweet edition to the routine.

"We accomplished a lot of goals this year and came together as a team."

-Ms. Gansmann,
Team Coach

Picking Up the Pace SOFTBALL

In an instant, the game can change. You're in, you're out. Swing, hit, run. Do what it takes to make the play. Yes, this is softball! Our Althoff girls softball team has learned that playing hard and tough is what brings success.

This year Althoff challenged many difficult teams and came out on top. Coaches Mary Kloess, Christy Gundlach, and Al Foppe were pleased to see several promising freshmen

playing alongside the more experienced upperclassmen.

The teamwork paid off. They won 24 of their 29 games. The coaches agree though that the team needs to focus on staying intense all the time. As coach Kloess says "It seems that we get up for the good teams and relax when we play weaker ones." Despite this, the girls had an exciting and fun season and have high expectations for next year.

• (Top right): Catcher, Tracey Rowe, has given the signal and is awaiting the pitch.

"We have to be focused everyday."

-Coach Kloess

• (Right): Amy Benker is into the windup.... and there's the pitch! It's a fast ball over the outside corner.

• (Far right): During warm up, the first baseman prepares to field a ground ball.





1997-98 Softball Team (Front): Jill Foppe, Tess Seibert, Lisa Padgett, Janet Venorsky, Tracey Rowe. (Back): Coach Christy Gundlach, Katie Hottenrott, Katie Kloess, Sara Renner, Suzanne Gundlach, Amy Benker, Emily Scannel, Sam Easterly, Heather Wescoat, Katie Cerneka, Coach Mary Kloess, Lauren Sencil and Coach Al Foppe,



SCORE BOARD

Wesclin	W	Alton Marquette	W	Greenville	W
Highland	W	O'Fallon	W	M.East Lutheran	W
Bethalto	L	Red Bud	W	St. Joe	W
Belleville East	L	Hillsboro	W	Waterloo	W
Freeburg	W	Carrollton	W	Mater Dei	W
Marissa	W	Bethalto	W	Mater Dei	W
Trico	L	Edwardsville	W	Columbia	L
W. Frankfurt	W	Gibault	W	Columbia	W
Vienna	L	Lebanon	W	Granite City	W
Belleville West	W			Mascoutah	W

It is the face of power! Katie Kloess gives it her all.

What a hit! Emily Scannel sends the ball flying.



Spare Time

The Crusader Bowling Squads worked hard throughout the year. With the number of teams competing increasing from 10 to 18, the competition was much tougher.

After losing many bowlers, all four teams faced an uphill task. The efforts of many newcomers were welcome.

The bowling highlight of the year was the Boys Varsity team's defeat of Collinsville, whose only

loss was to Althoff.

The Girls Varsity team had tough competition and looks for a better season next year. Stacy Evansco went to state and finished with a score of 150.

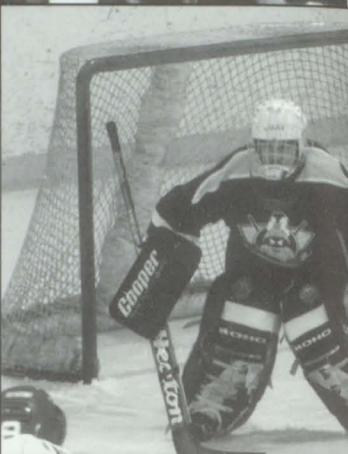
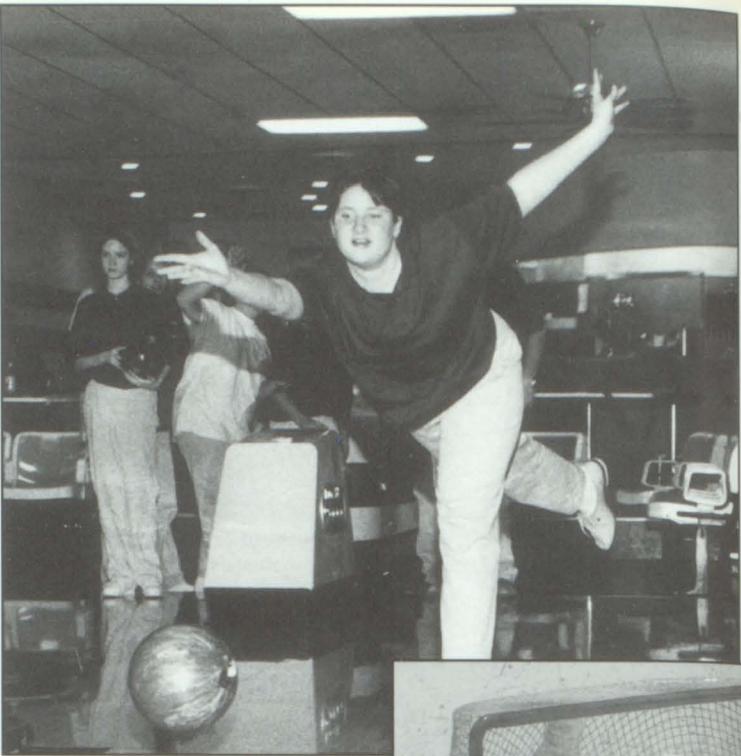
Both the Girls and Boys JV teams have high hopes for next year. The girls finished with an impressive record of 7-3, and hope to improve. The boys have several promising rookies.

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• (Top left): Molly
• Toennies demonstrates
• a classic straight
• follow-through.
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•••••
• (Top right): Twist and
• shout! Ryan Baxter
• displays excellent
• form as the ball sails
• down the alley.
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•••••
• (Overlay): All geared
• up and ready to go, BJ
• Vogt defends Althoff's
• goal.
•••••

•••••
• (Middle): Here comes
• the cavalry! Josh
• McDermott and Gus
• Feldker mount the
• defense line.
•••••



BOWLING 97-98



(Front): Melissa Neely, Nicole Veto, Aly Ringhofer, Kimi Wescoat, Molly Toennies, Stacy Evansco, and Breanne Droit. (Back): Margi Schwarts, Sara Wuller, Laney Fritz, Laura Reiniger, Julie Randle, and Laura Keilman



(Front): Justin Veto, Eric Buettner, Dave Matysick, Ryan Baxter, John Arndt, Dan Reiniger, Ryan Carron. (Back): Nathan Bone, Bryan Shubert, Josh Carron, Pat McCann, Joe Benker, Paul Arndt, Keith Karbon, Rob Childers (not pictured)

Courtesy of
Dan Sabo

Power Play

A long but successful season came to an end for the Crusader Hockey Club. With a week of the JV playoffs to go, the Varsity and JV seasons included a combined total of 160 games and practices, 250 broken sticks, over 1,000 empty rolls of tape, an estimated 7,000 miles traveled per player, 115 hours spent driving to and from the rinks per player, a total of 544 penalty minutes and a club budget in the \$16,000 range!

The varsity team had a solid year. The team went into the playoffs with a 7-7-1 record and

ended 10-9-1 on the year. Seven of the nine losses were by one goal. This was a big improvement over last year's 3-10 regular season and 5-12 overall records.

After an excellent playoff run, Althoff was put into the southern division championship game, only to face top seeded Granite City. The Crusaders lost 2-1 in an extremely well played championship game and Granite City won the following night to become MVCHA Champions.

-Andy Gonzales



Charlie Klaus,
Ryan Madison,
Chris Sabo,
and Nick
Woolery watch
intently as
their team
mates work the
puck up the
rink.

HOCKEY 97-98



(Front): BJ Vogt and Tim Abbott. (Second): Luke Huling, Greg Walsh, Tommy Wagner, Jason Carrea, Patrick Morr, and Brad Spalding. (Third): Coach Donze, Robbie Donze, Chris Haukap, Andy Gonzales, Ryan Madison, Tim Miller, Charlie Klaus, and Coach Jim Walsh. (Back): Josh McDermott, Ryan Malaschak, Chris Sabo, Mark Heffernan, Chris Kniser, Gus Feldker, Cameron Haslett and Chris Bentler.

SCORE BOARD

Belleville East	W	Bethalto	W
Southwest	W	Granite City	L
Cahokia	W	O'Fallon	L
Collinsville	W	Collinsville	W
Belleville West	L	Belleville East	L
Granite City	L	Belleville West	L
Marquette	L	Cahokia	L
O'Fallon	W		

Turning Tides for Next Year

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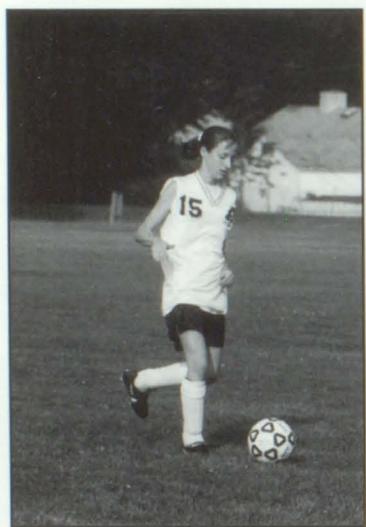
It is sad to say that the 1998 Lady Crusaders Soccer Team had the odds against them from the beginning. Many of the previous year's varsity players had graduated and the responsibility was placed on new shoulders. Much of the year was spent building up the team and keeping spirits high.

The Crusaders had to work through many of the expectations from previous years. The hard

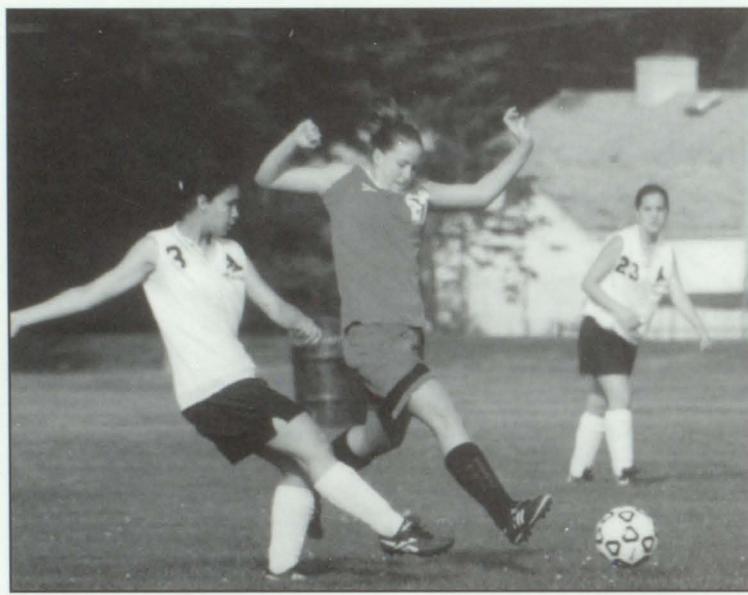
work taught the team determination.

In all, the Crusaders won three games. This was a disappointing record, but the team stuck together and worked hard until the end.

Renee Polka said "The coaches had a lot of expectations for us. But it wasn't until the end that we learned how to work as a team." Next year's team will have a great advantage due to this year's work.



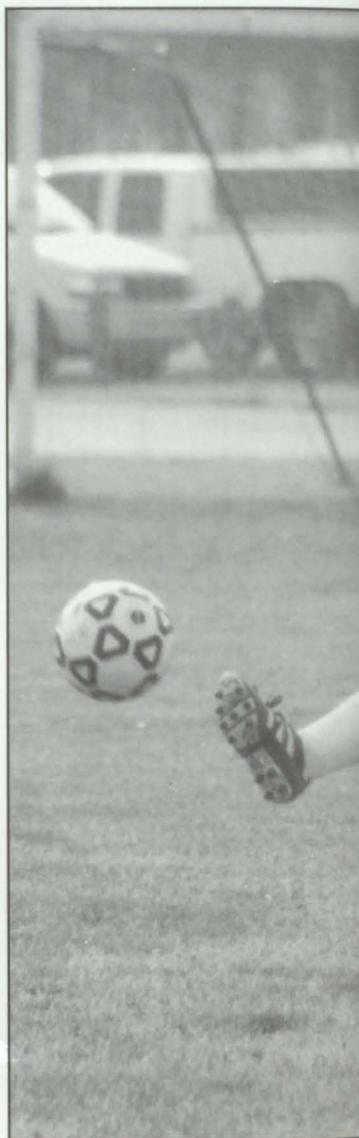
• (Above): Midfielder/forward
• Ellen Johnston always
• contributes to the team. She
• takes the ball up field.

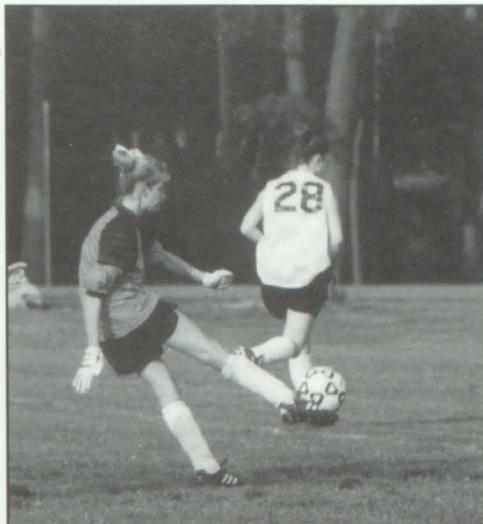


• (Above right): Way to go
• Kathy Green! A good
• defensive player always gets
• the ball out of the "danger
• zone."



• (Right): Forward player
• Renata Obal charges the ball
• with intensity. Once Renata
• gets the ball, she is gone!



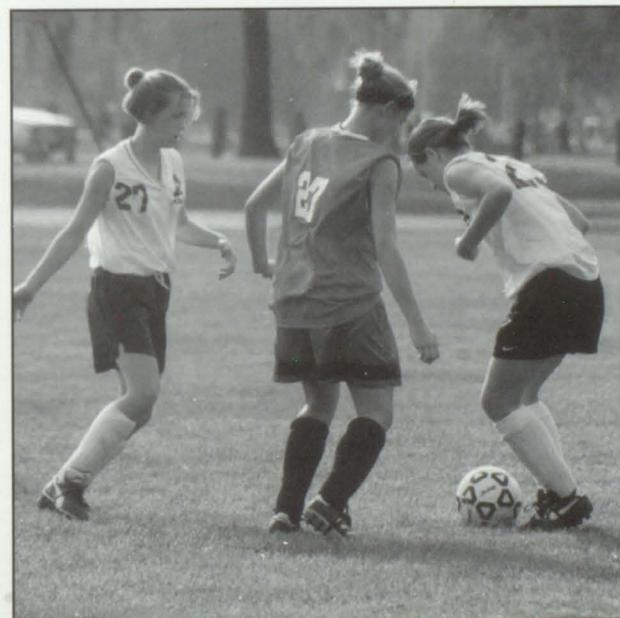


"It was a tough season but we tried hard and had fun."

-Jocelyn English

• (Far left): With her skilled moves, Molly Walker fights for the ball. Midfielder Melanie Shadwick is there to help.

• (Left): Goalie Katie Sabo takes charge and puts the ball up field. Katie is always leading the team by instructing the girls in where to go.



• (Above): Ahh... the pep talk before the game. The J.V. team always gets psyched after Coach Kathy Emke encourages them.

• (Left): Melanie Shadwick and Lauren Friederich make quite a team! They team up to outwit the opposing player.

• (Far left): Center-Midfielders, Katie Williams and Lauren Friederich are always on the ball! As Lauren backs out of the way, Katie kicks the ball forcefully upfield.

Keeping Pace WITH TRACK

When the Track season began on February 17th, the coaches and members looked toward a hard-working season. Returning Coaches Eschmann, Gagen, and Isbell worked with the athletes to train for the tough competition.

Faced with a rainy start to the season and a flooded track, the team spent many afternoons running the halls. Another challenge faced by the team

was moving to Class AA. As sprinter Crystal Gayer said, "The competition is going to be greater, so we have to work twice as hard to perform our best."

Dealing with the loss of some of its best members, the team stepped up as the underclassmen gained experience and strength. They kept a positive attitude and worked to prepare for future seasons.



1997-1998 ALTHOFF TRACK



Gathering momentum while preparing to throw his discus, BJ Jordan fights for a few extra inches on his landing.

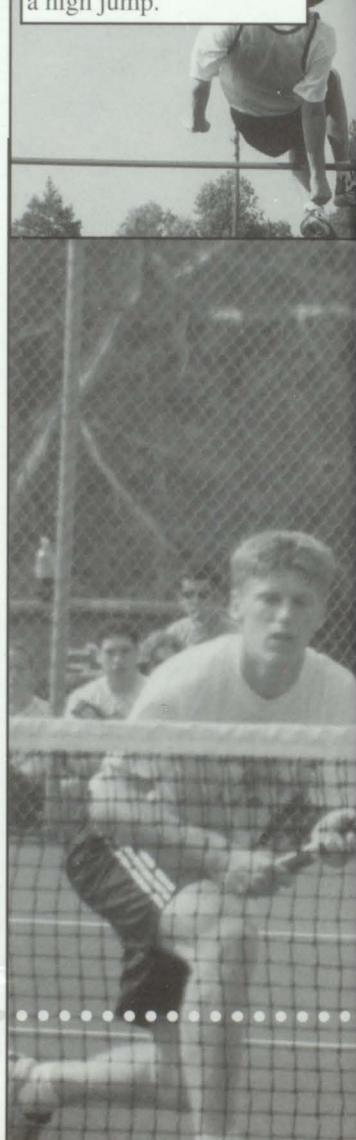


(Above right): Intently watching the pace and distance of her throw, Alena Armstead pays attention to her shotput.



(Right): Coming around the track during a relay, Jenny Barrington strides towards the finish line.

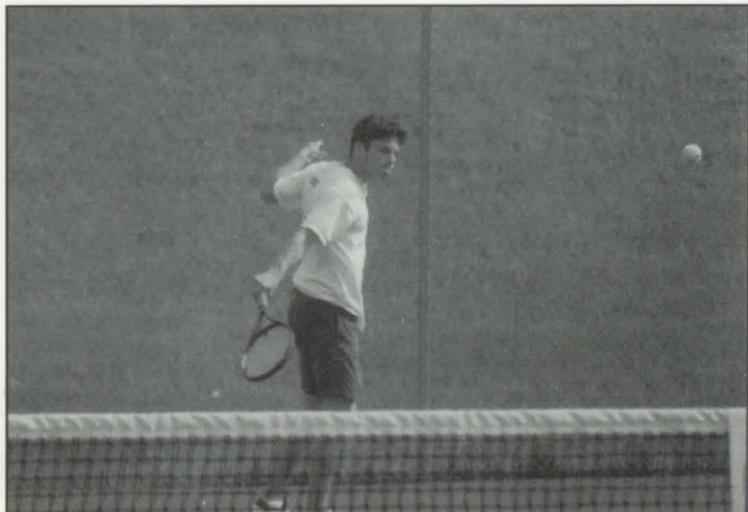
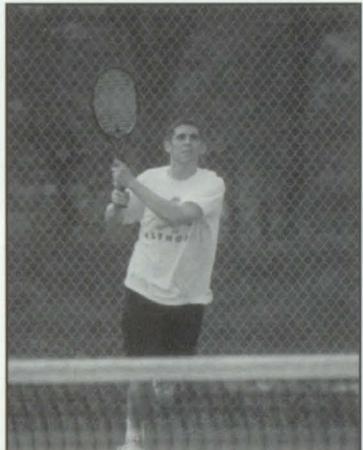
Up, up and away! Shawn Coughlin completes a high jump.



Flying high in his long jump, Trey Matlock soars through the air.



A four-year starter, Ryan Blaha gets low for this volley at the net.



Match Intervals BOYS' TENNIS

This year's Boys Tennis Team, although small, hoped to have a good season. With a roster filled with promising and talented players, the team looked forward to a great spring.

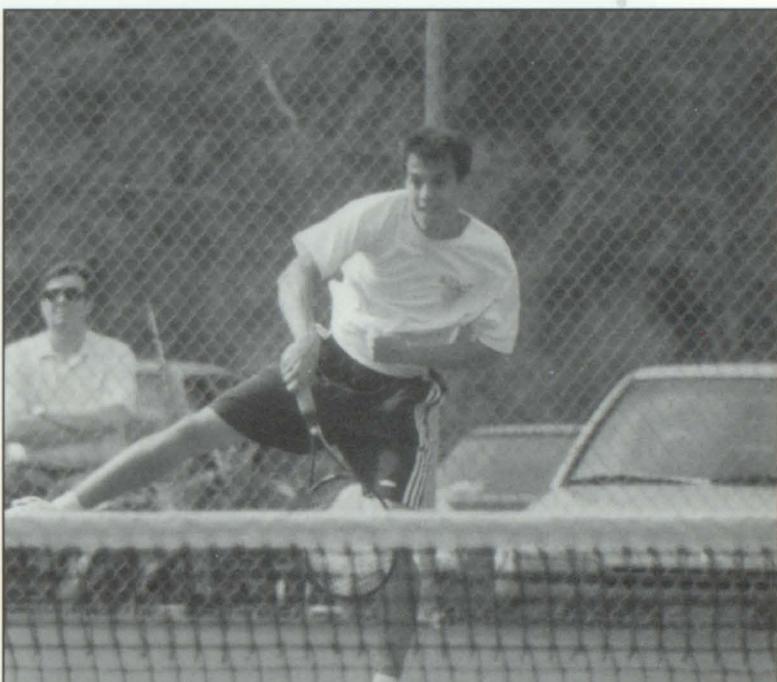
Playing number one singles, Dave Deets looked to continue his court power with many wins. At number two and number three singles, Ryan Blaha and Derek Schmieder both

contributed to the team.

Underclassmen John English and Pat Keefe, along with senior Bryan Schubert, filled the number four through six singles flights.

New underclassmen Nick Dressel, Ruman Kazi, and Corey Muren gained varsity experience in tournament play.

The team worked hard and will miss the seniors but hopefully the underclassmen will find the skills to fill their shoes.



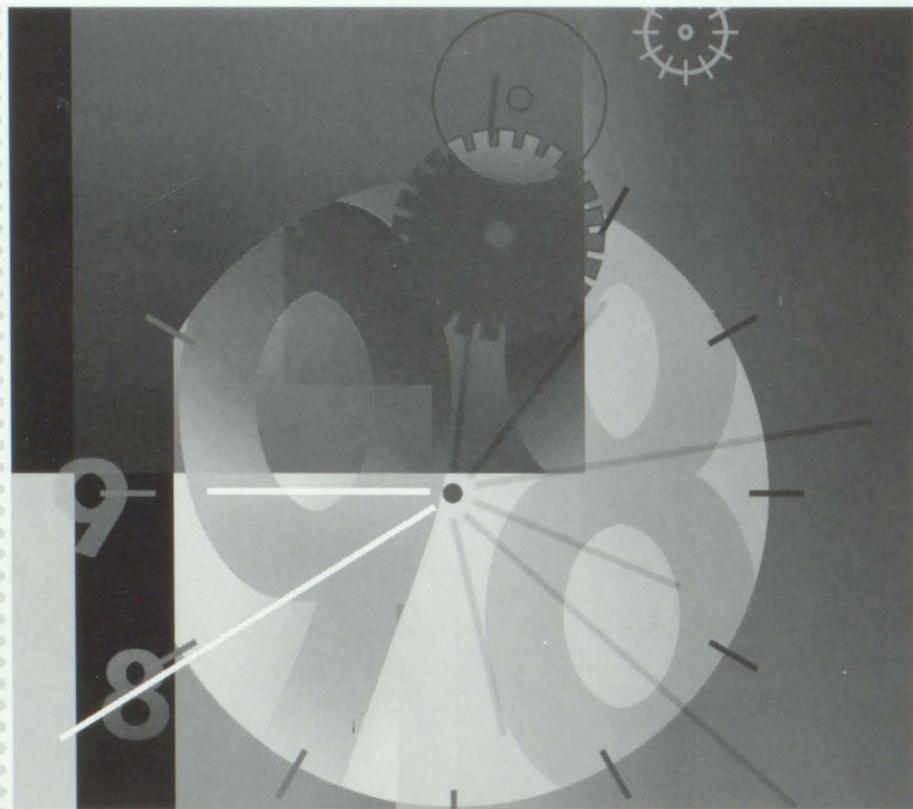
• (Above left): Senior Bryan Schubert watches his shot after throwing a lob.

• (Above): Maintaining balance after his kick-serve, Dave Deets follows through before preparing to hit the next shot.

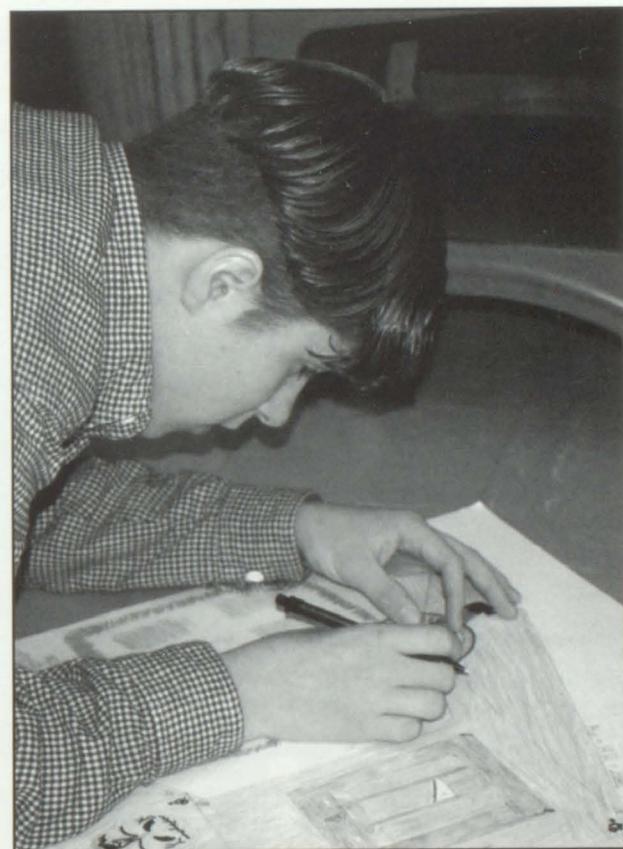
• (Left): Derek Schmieder, a major asset to the team, displays fabulous form on his slice backhand.

TATE TO

Break open the Books



ACADEMICS



A Year of New Technology

SCIENCE

Of all the departments to undergo a major facelift, the science department experienced the greatest changes. Most students sampled at least one of the new classes offered this year. Their choices included Applied Science, Scientific Method and Biotechnology, Botany and Zoology, Organic Chemistry, and Quantitative and Analytical Chemistry.

Applied Science sampled many areas of science. The class was designed for those who do not find science very useful. Its students learned scientific concepts through exciting hands-on activities such as CPR, robotic Legos, forensics, and soil and water testing.

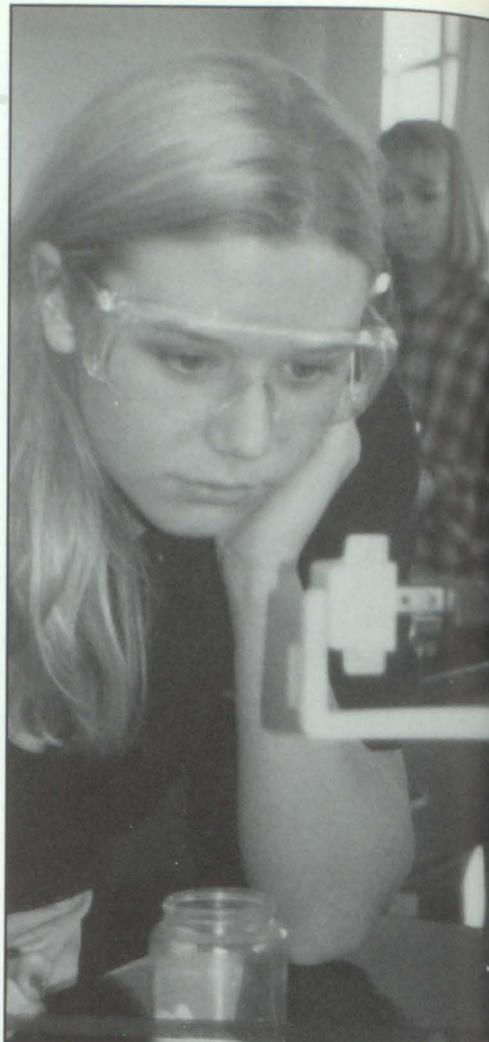
Learning how to correctly run, document, and present an experiment took the better half of Scientific Method and Biochemistry. Throughout the semester, students designed and ran their own experiments, often testing topics presented in class. The class also

touched on the basics of genetics.

The Botany and Zoology class can tell you where the most bacteria is within Althoff. Along with learning about bacteria, the students also built models of cholesterol and took an in-depth look at the composition of cells.

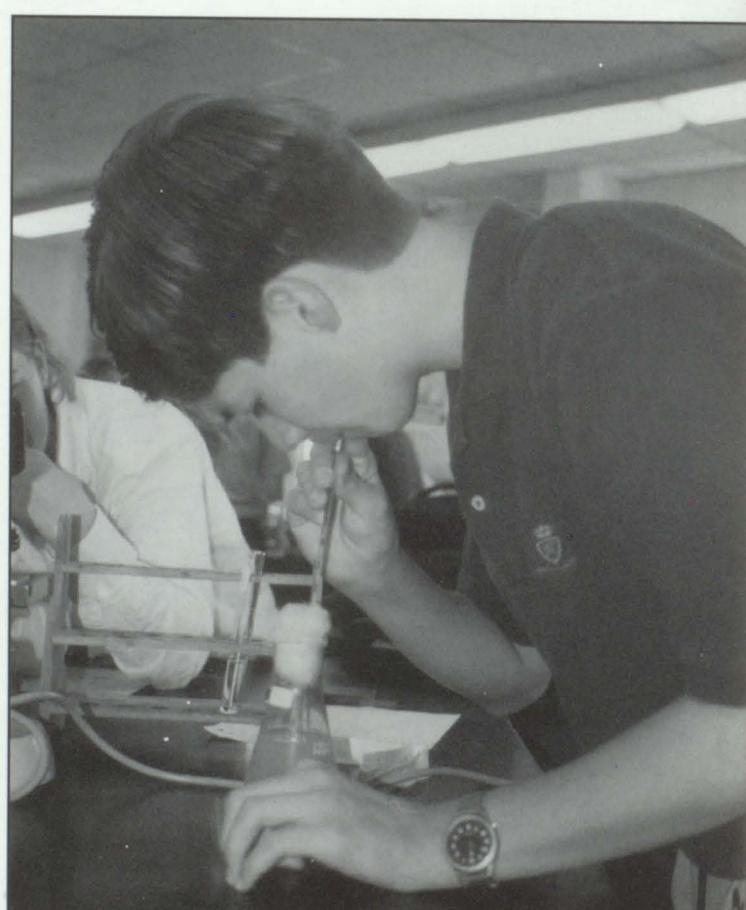
Organic Chemistry explored the structure and reactions of carbon-containing solutions. To help visualize the complex 3D structures, the participants used molecule models. They also spent time in the lab, where they were given freedom to set up and conduct the lab on their own.

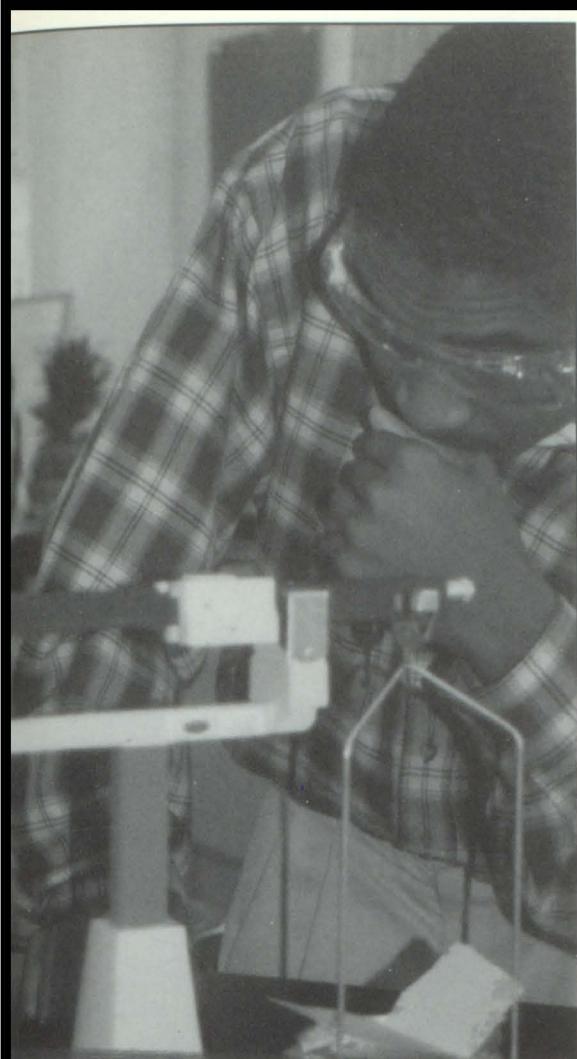
Quantitative and Analytical Chemistry students learned about acids and bases, equilibrium, and electrochemistry, to name a few topics covered. This class used math and chemistry to determine how certain solutions would react with different variables.



• (Above): Learning the names is half the battle. Pat McGinnis studied a cat by dissection in Anatomy & Physiology.

• (Right): Pipeting a yeast solution, Ted Lewis innoculates the broth for his population study.





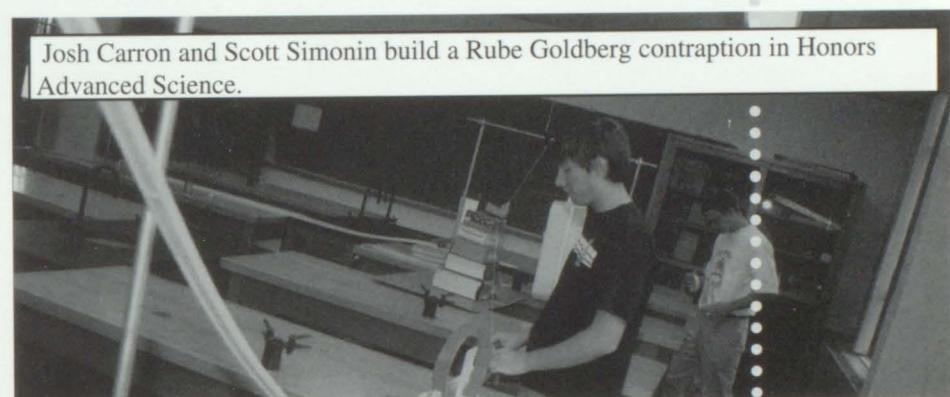
- (Left): Balancing it out, Kim Bayley and Marcus Brown weigh potassium monophosphate for an experiment.

"Integrating technology in the classroom is a primary concern. Sometimes we have to leave the facts behind to learn how to learn."

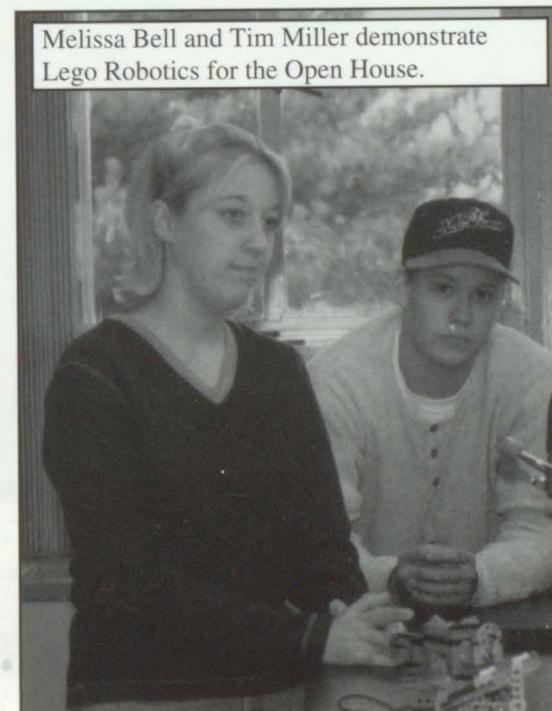
-Mrs. Sara Newton



- (Front): Carrie Mueller, Kris Althoff. (Back): Allen Sanders, Lisa Tiedemann, Tim Gillum, and Dave Edwards.



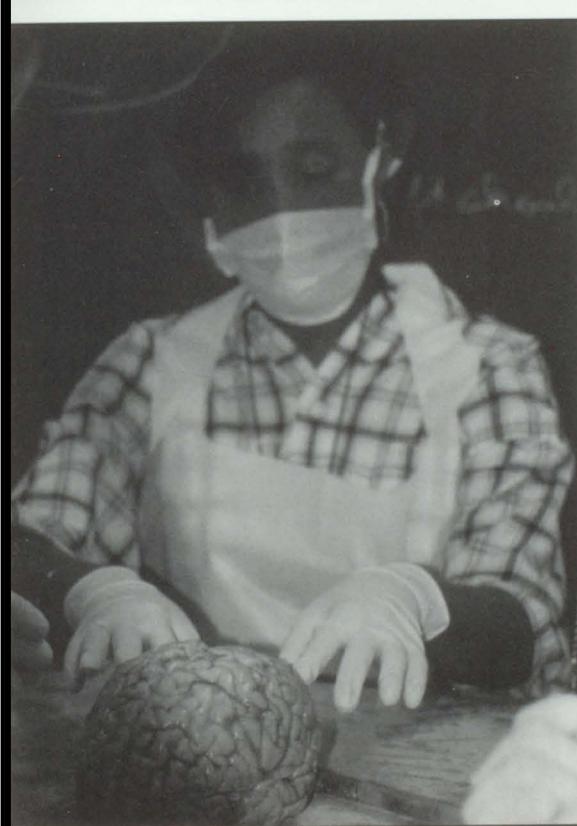
Josh Carron and Scott Simonin build a Rube Goldberg contraption in Honors Advanced Science.



Melissa Bell and Tim Miller demonstrate Lego Robotics for the Open House.



- Mrs. Sara Newton is also a member of the science faculty. This year she taught Anatomy and Biology Honors.



(Above): Kquemura Bufford inspected a human brain in St. Elizabeth's Autopsy Lab.

An Era of Number and Computers

MATH & BUSINESS

In this day and age, math and computers are dominating our society. This is the reason that the Math and Business Departments here at Althoff are very important to our futures.

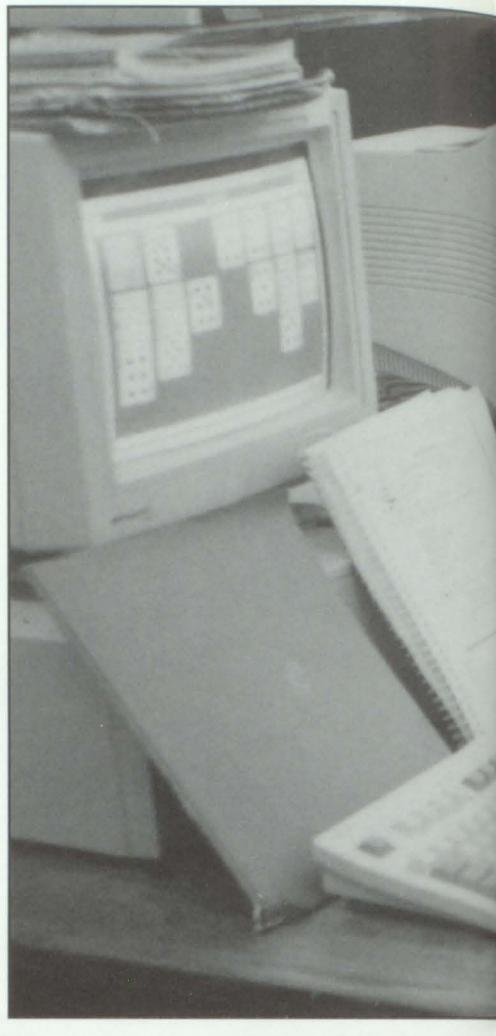
In Math courses, you can do everything from solving for "x" in Algebra with Ms. Mueller to finding the tangent and cosine in Trigonometry with Mrs. Edwards.

In the business Department courses, you can go from learning the keyboard with Mr. Hayes or Mr. Deets to applying that knowledge in Computer Applications with Ms. Gansmann.

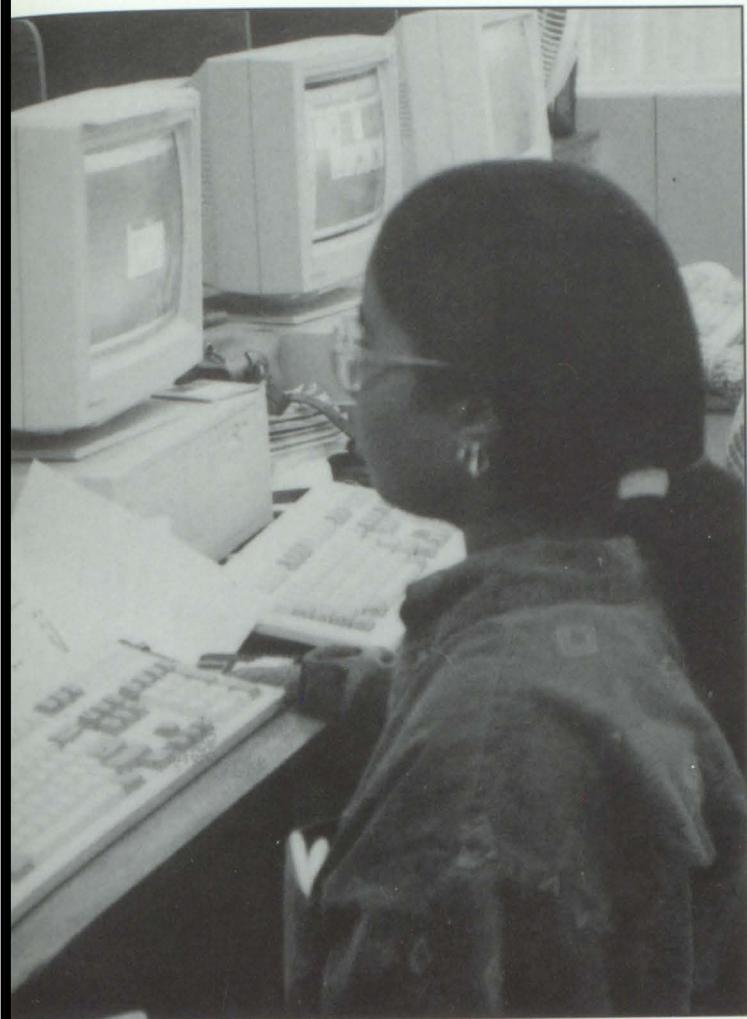
Mastering the skills that are offered in these courses can be very difficult. But luckily this hard work will influence our careers after Althoff.



• (Above): This hard-working sophomore, Andy Etling, is perfecting his golf course project for geometry class.



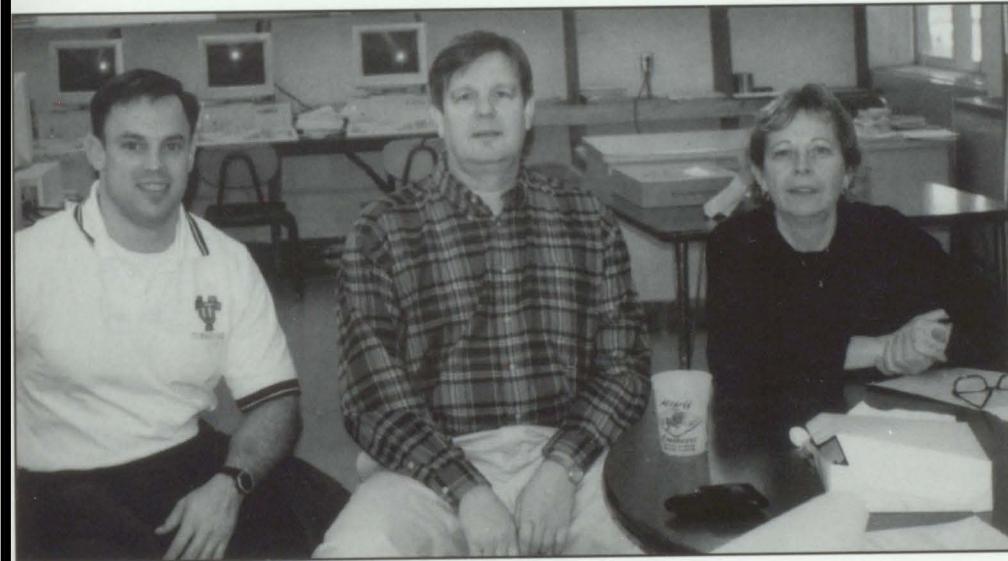
• Solve: There are 4 teachers here from the Math Department- D. Mueller, C. Gundlach, J. Edwards, and C. Northrup. If three more teachers teach math classes- C. Mueller, D. Edwards, and Sr. Jan, how many people should be in this picture?



• (Left): After finishing her work in Mr. Deets' word processing class, Bonita Guy engages in playing a game of solitaire.



• (Above) Ms. Gansmann helps Senior Crystal Hass complete a loop statement.



PRINT: "BUSINESS DEPARTMENT TEACHERS- PAT HAYES, DAVID DEETS, AND ORELLA GANSMANN"

"Some things you learn in this class may not ever be used again, but it's still important to know how to do it."

-Sr. Jan Renz

Throughout the Ages

HISTORY AND RELIGION

History, we are told, is doomed to repeat itself. Unless, of course, you have knowledge and understanding on your side. The History Department is dedicated to teaching students so they have the tools to understand history.

Along with the regular history classes offered, the history department includes social sciences. These classes help us understand our past, live our present, and prepare for the future.

Understanding the past was key to the new History and Theology of World Religions class. Students delved into the history of some of the major religions of the world to help them gain insight into the faith of the peoples. Class presentations, reflection papers, and philosophical reading were

the norm. The students were challenged throughout the year to think in new ways. It was a struggle at first, but once they realized that sometimes there was no correct answer, or that the answer that seemed like the truth wasn't even the beginning, they started to enjoy the class. The experience was fun, yet slightly confusing at times for students and teachers alike. It was a refreshing lift from the usual classroom situation and a positive experience for most.

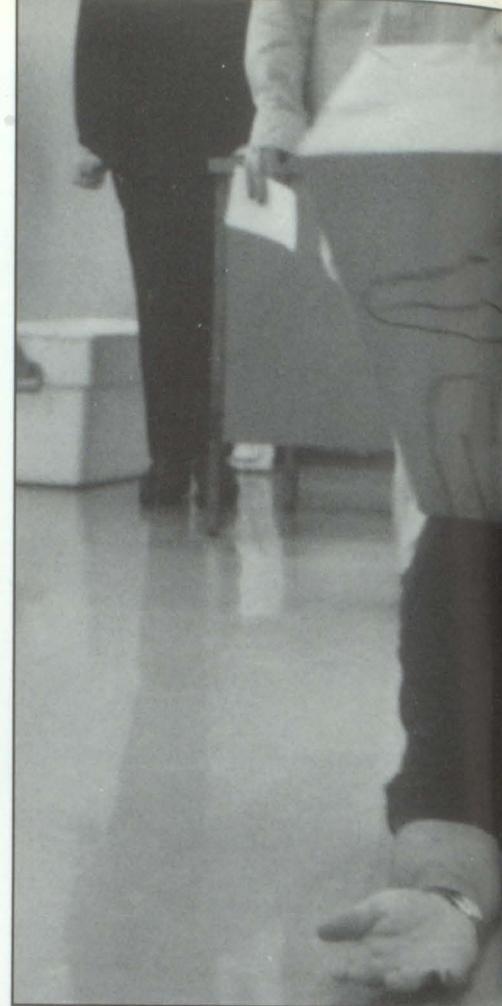
The religion department still offered the same selection of classes from last year. All focused on strengthening spiritual life and developing a faith-oriented intellect.



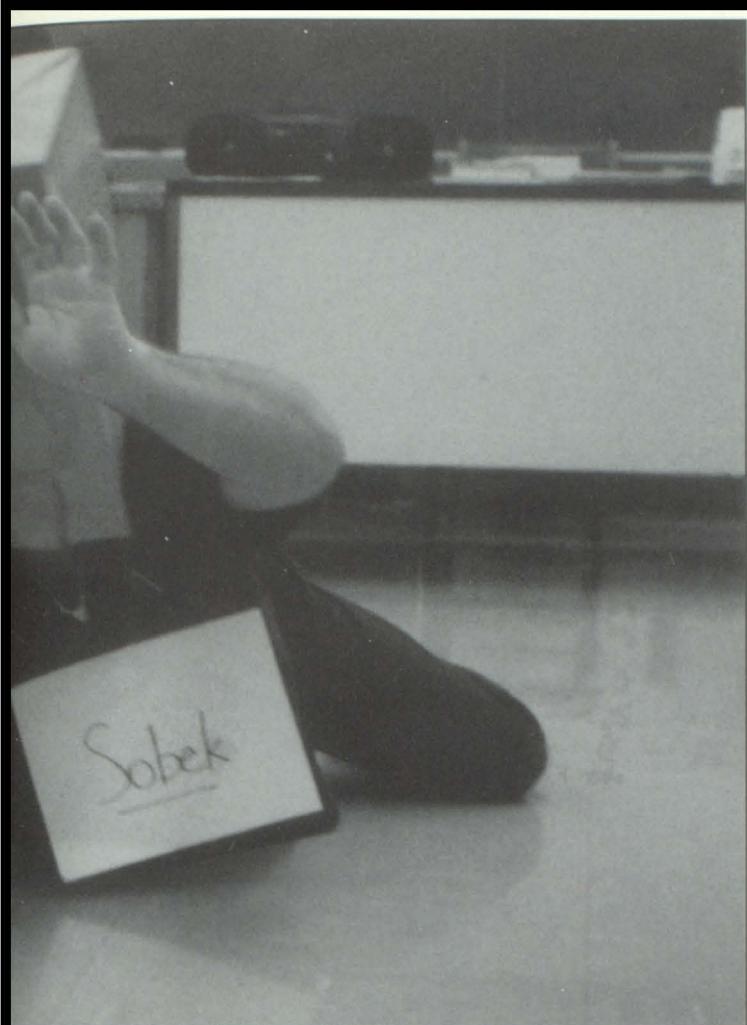
(Above): The History Department: Bill Orlet, Larry Mank, Jim Igel, Edmond Jones, Jack Gagen, and Jane Willett.

"The History and Theology class was tough, but we learned a tremendous amount."

- Katy Welzbacher



The Junior Religion classes focus on the justice and injustice in our world today. Mrs. Peterson listens as one of her students asks a question.



- Getting into the act during presentations in History and Theology class, Mr. Schuline portrayed Sobek, the half-man, half-alligator Egyptian deity.
- The Religion Department:
 - (Front): Sara McGinnis, Helen Clark, Tony Palazollo, Lara Hannes-Peterson.
 - Cass Coughlin, Russ Peterson.



(Above): As the newest member of the History Department, Mrs. Willet teaches her students the interesting facts of the world.

(Right): Although Mr. Schuline was not in the History Department picture, he teaches World History and HTWR.

(Above right): Group work is a part of religion classes at Althoff. Ms. Cadell aids some of her students while they work on a project.



Literary Occasions

THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Beginning with English I, all Althoff students take an English class each semester. The English department, headed by Mrs. Terveer, has worked hard over the years to broaden the curriculum and allow students to choose the classes that will guide them to a career. Classes such as Writing in the Media and M.A.S.H. have given students a taste of professional writing opportunities.

In addition to the many electives and core classes, the departments also feature four advanced

1-8-1-8 classes, taken for college class credit through Saint Louis University. The English department classes challenge as well as enrich the students and help their performance in all classes.

• (Right): Getting to the day's assignment, the French 3-4 class works to better their understanding of the language and culture of France.

• (Below): Continuing her many years of teaching excellence, Mrs. Henry works to instill values such as hard work and perserverence in her 1-8-1-8 students.

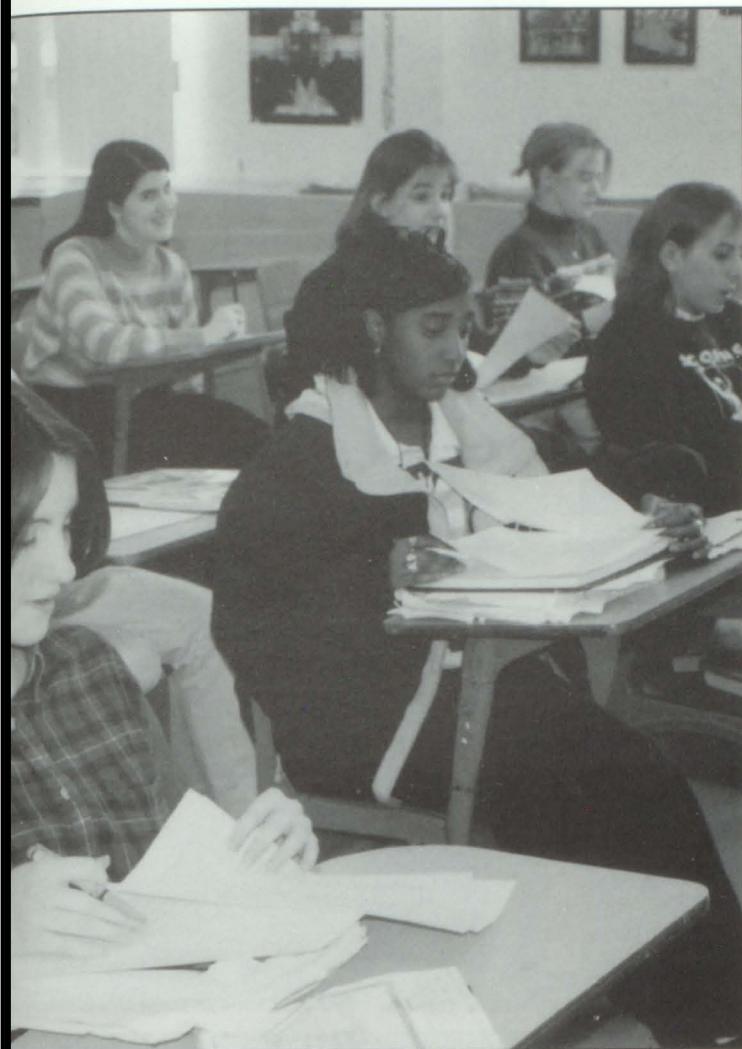


"The English department here at school has really prepared me for college. I look forward to taking writing and literature classes next year."

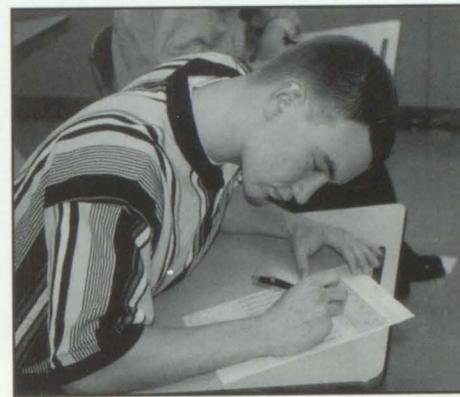
-Kristin Richards



• The English Department (Front): Sr. Helena Leach, Mrs. Joyce Terveer, Mrs. Trish Meyer. (Back): Mrs. Betty Henry, Mr. Matt Kofler, Ms. Lisa Gill.



- The Language Department:
- (Front) Mrs. Weissert-Madriz, Mrs. Foeller, Mrs. Bolesta.
- (Back): Ms. Valdez, Mrs. Jones



- Latin students
- participate in the
- yearly Latin
- Exam. This test
- challenges Scott
- Simonin's
- knowledge of
- the language and
- of the Roman
- culture.



Carpe Diem - Seize the Day FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Foreign Language, a requirement by many colleges for admission, is an essential part of the curriculum at Althoff. More than half of the students take either Spanish, Latin, or French. Each language class gets students involved in various activities to learn not only the vocabulary but the cultures surrounding that particular tongue.

This year, Spanish IV made their annual trip to Blessed Sacrament. The grade school students enjoyed playing charades and breaking open a pinata. Other Spanish students had the

opportunity to go to a Mexican restaurant and order in Spanish. French students gave presentations to their classes about different French people and places and Latin IV students participated in arena games that the Romans played in the Colosseum.

Althoff's Foreign Language department allows the students to not only learn another language, but learn new, interesting facts about the people and the customs of other cultures. After all, a great way to broaden your knowledge of the world is to learn another language.

Making pinatas for the kids at Blessed Sacrament, senior Spanish student, Nikki Martinez, Anni Peduzzi and Suzanne Heinzl get into paper mache.

Keeping time with THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

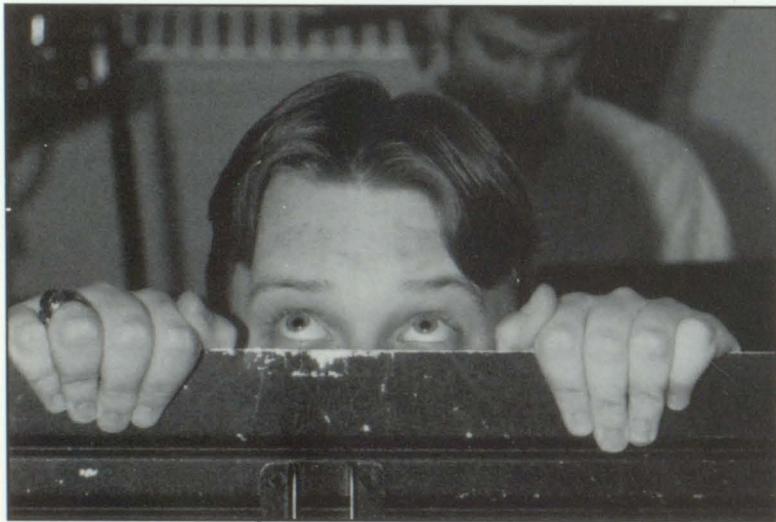
Mention a music department class and anyone that has taken such a class with tell you they had fun. From traditional band and chorus to music appreciation, Althoff's music department is growing and flourishing under the supportive guidance of Mr. Townsend.

Music appreciation class was new this year. The aspect of this class that most of its participants seemed to enjoy was the freedom it gave them. Each member was able to pick a music selection for the whole class to listen to. No piece of music was discriminated against, and respect was given to everyone's

selections.

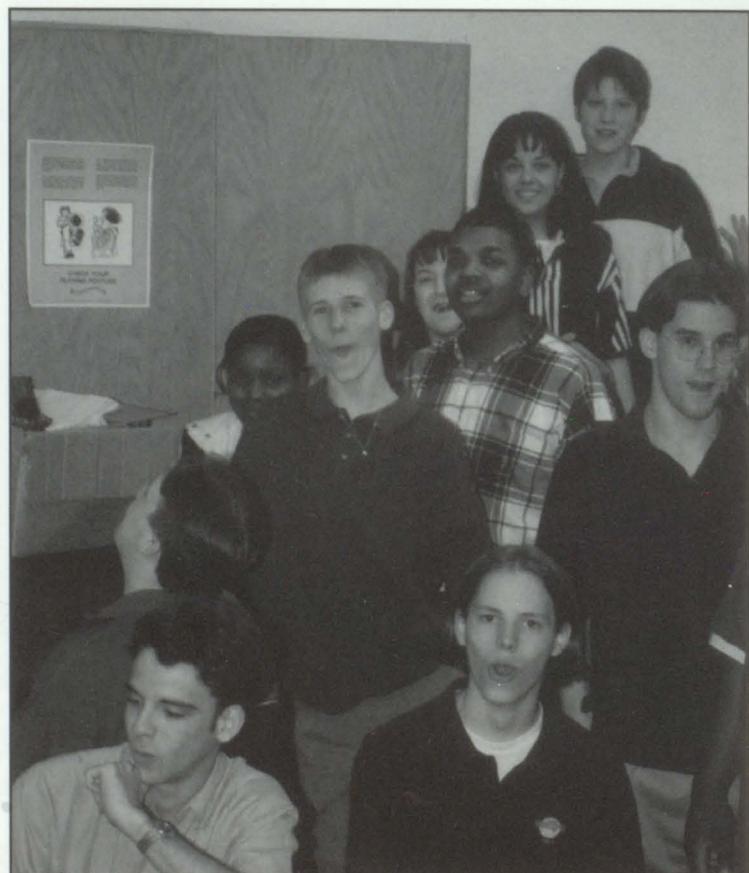
Band members experienced much gain this past year. Participation is increasing each year, and most members feel that recognition for the band is growing as well. Some of the activities the band performed in were the three concerts (Fall, Christmas, and Spring), the O'Fallon Competition, and top students attended the Bi-State Honors Band Festival and the BAC High School Music Festival.

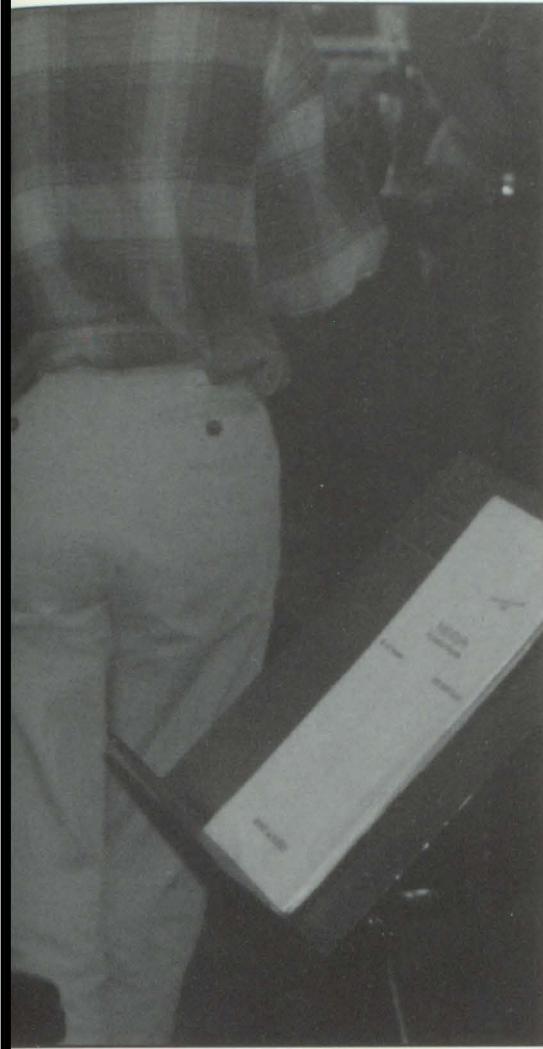
The chorus was mainly composed of seniors this year, and the voice of experience never sounded so good. Still, next year's chorus promises to produce wonderful results.



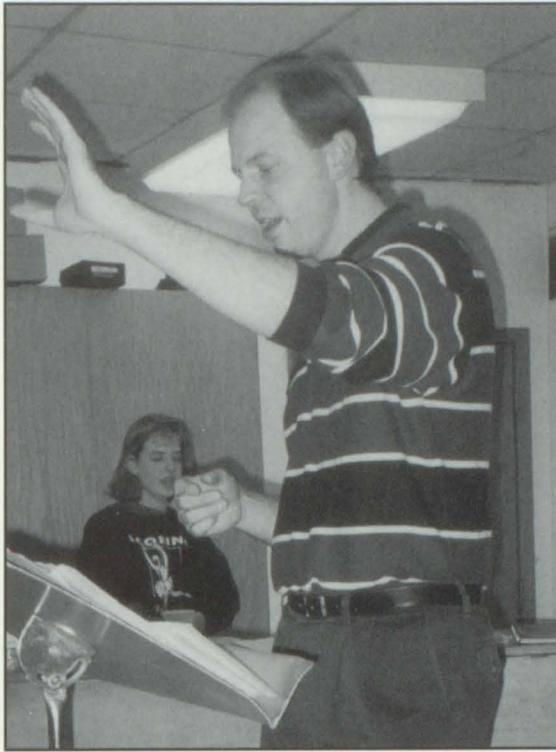
• Watch out for flying batons! Steve Bolen peeks over his music stand during music appreciation class to check if the coast is clear.

• These Music Appreciation students sing a variation of the well-known tune *Mary Had A Little Lamb* that was arranged by all of the students.





- (Left): Looking up from assembling his saxophone, Matthew Warchol pauses for the camera.



- (Left): With a flourish of his hand, Mr. Townsend leads the choir. He is not only an excellent teacher, but an innovator for the music department and a friend to his students.

"Mr. Townsend's contributions to the music department have enabled it to provide students like me a chance to enrich their music appreciation."

- Matt Schmidt



Intent on Mr. Townsend's direction, Sara Murray and Kathy Green warm up their voices for choir.



• The bass drum is an integral instrument in the band. Eric Kohn anxiously awaits his cue to play.

Dimensions of the Mind: MECHANICAL DRAWING

The drafting program, coordinated by Mr. Larry Mank, has Mechanical Drawing, Architectural Drawing, Surveying, and Advanced Blueprint Reading on C.A.D. (computer aided drafting). If you are thinking of becoming an engineer, architect or draftsman, one of these courses can offer a lot.

Why should you take these classes? Manufacturing, construction, and consulting industries need trained drafters

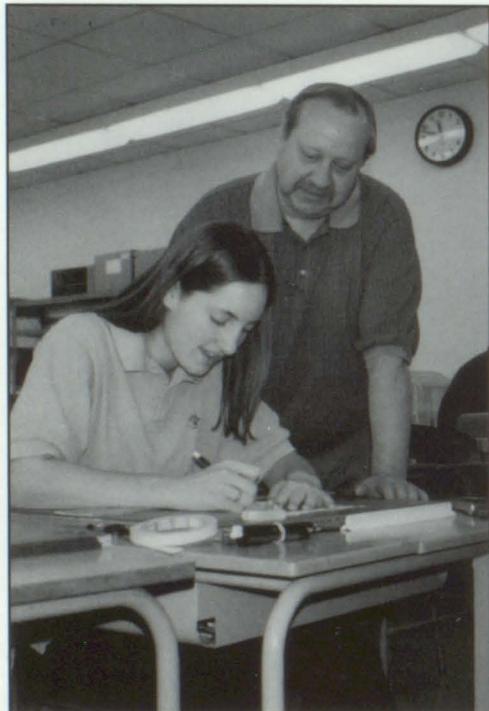
"The knowledge gained in drafting classes has laid a foundation for students to excel in any engineering field."

- Tim Henry

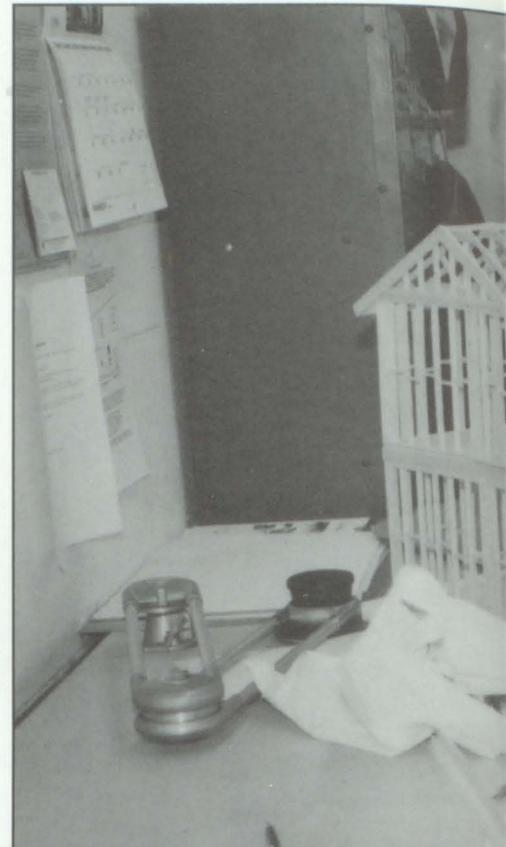
more now than ever before. Also, college offers a great variety of classes you could take.

This department tries to identify creative and mechanically inclined students and make them aware of the possibilities available to them. By taking these courses, you will not only learn how to draft, but also have fun!

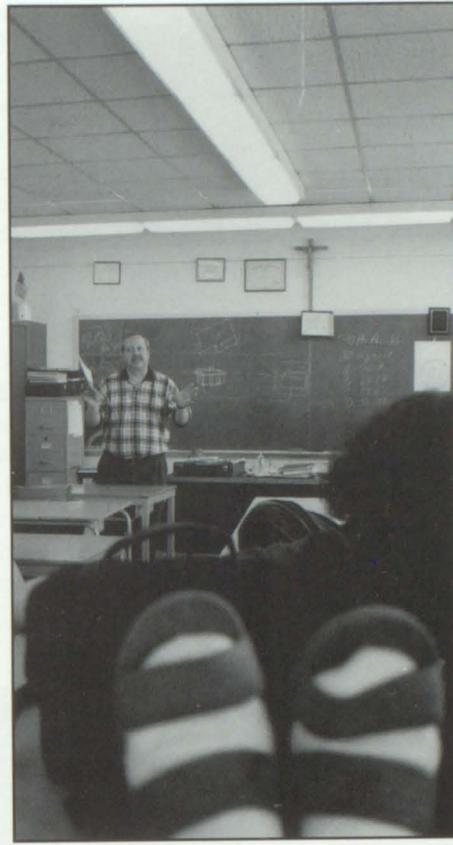
• (Right): It sure does look like he's working hard. Jerome Tilmon puts the finishing touches on his drawing.



• (Left): Mechanical drawing requires precision. Mr. Mank looks over Tiffany Foeller's shoulder as she adds lines.



• Social Studies Department: Mr. Orlet, Mr. Mank, and Mr. Jones pose for a quick pic.



- Well somebody is
- relaxed. I guess Mr.
- Mank puts everyone
- at "ease" when he
- teaches psychology.

"If you take psychology with Mr. Mank, you will learn a lot and it will help you when you get to college."

-Tanya Stanley

Dimensions of the Mind: PSYCHOLOGY, SOCIOLOGY, CHILD DEVELOPMENT

So many classes, so little time. Under the Social Studies program, classes such as psychology, sociology, and child development exist. These courses are administrated by Mr. Larry Mank, Mr. Orlet, and Mr. Jones.

In General Psychology, the topics consist of intelligence, conditioning, statistics, perception, and experimental research just to name a few. The brain is a mystical machine and the favorite topic for discussion.

Applied Psychology introduces coping strategies for those frequent frustrations in life. Other topics consist of ego defenses, suicide prevention, mental disorders, and therapies. This course is college bound material.

Another good discussion class is Sociology. In this course, you get to study American values, and habits of living. Mr. Orlet, the instructor, discusses stress, hardships, and everyday life that people share.

Mr. Jones takes care of Child Development. This class is designed to nurture parenting skills. Some of the topics discussed are baby-sitting, pregnancy and child birth, teen pregnancy, and prenatal development. There are also some projects the students partake in. One example is the "egg baby" project where each student receives an egg and has to care for it. Many students believe this course to be fun and worth their time.



- Baby, oh baby! Jami Stewart smiles with her friends as they hold their "children" during child development.

A Creative Generation

PHOTOGRAPHY & ART

The Photography classes at Althoff provide students with the knowledge of using cameras with correct settings and developing their own pictures. This is the basis for their grade. They have to take quality pictures and develop them properly. Originally, the photography dark room was in a little room next to the art room. This year, the department, with the help of the students, are building a new dark room. This is being constructed in the old faculty lounge on the third floor. This new room will enable the students to have more space which means students developing more pictures at a faster rate. This will be a great advantage to the Photography student's grades.

The Art Classes at Althoff encourage much creativity. Many different classes are offered to give the students an artistic variety. First year art is an

introduction that lasts a full year. Second and third years are divided into semesters: painting; drawing, and clay ceramics.

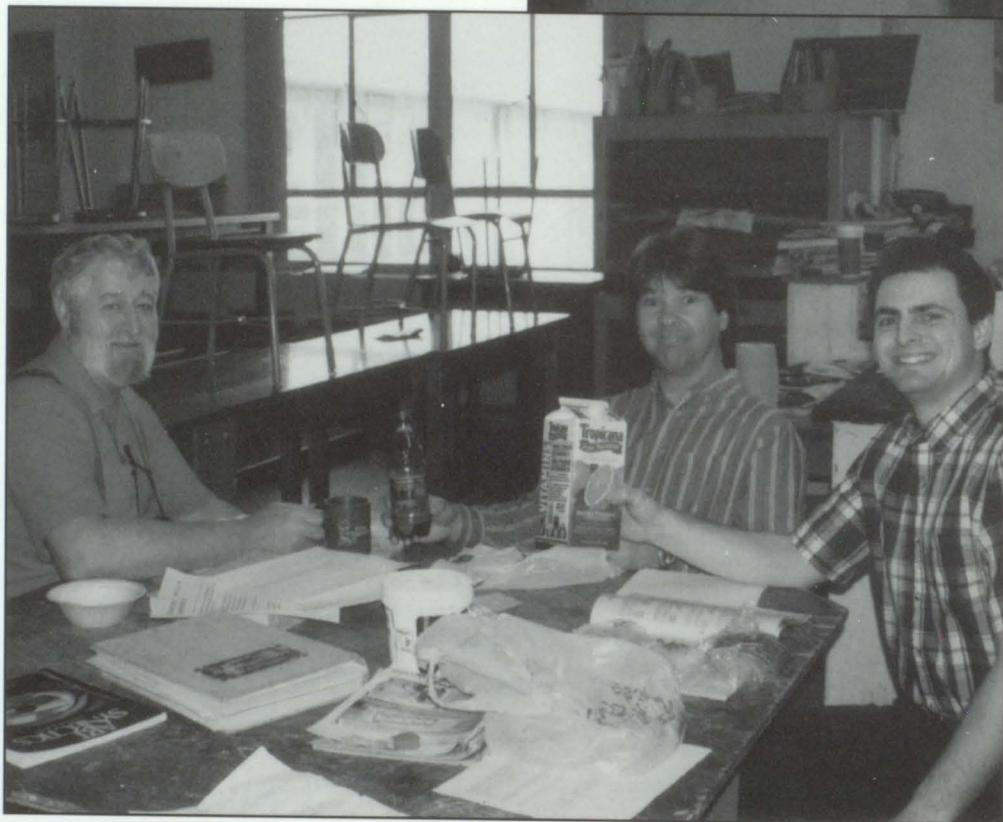
Fourth year is honors advanced art. To participate in this class, a student must be chosen by Mr. Woesthaus. This allows the exceptionally gifted students to excel with their artistic ability. This variety helps the students to experiment with different mediums and see what they like or what they are good at.

Mr. Brooks is a welcome addition to the Art Program. Next year, under his guidance, a new art class will be available. This class will be Art Appreciation. It will encourage the students to learn more about art and why it is important in our society. The Art Program contributes many things to the lives of those students who participate in it.



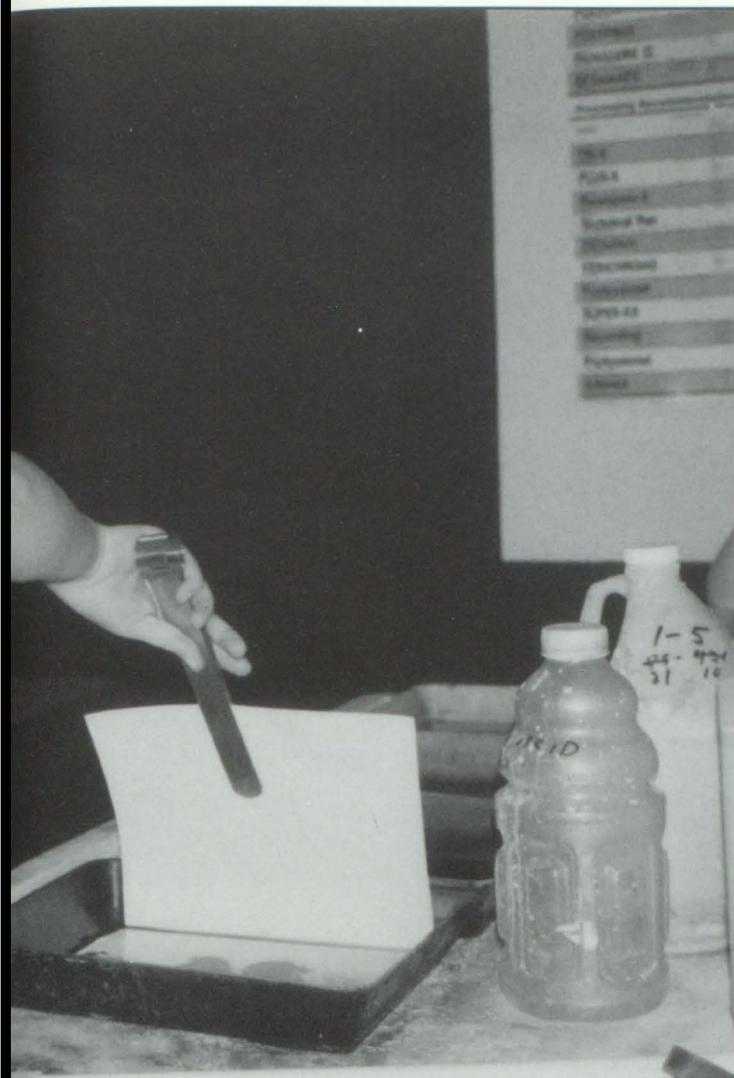
"We missed Mr. Beine while he was gone."

-Jessica Gasaway

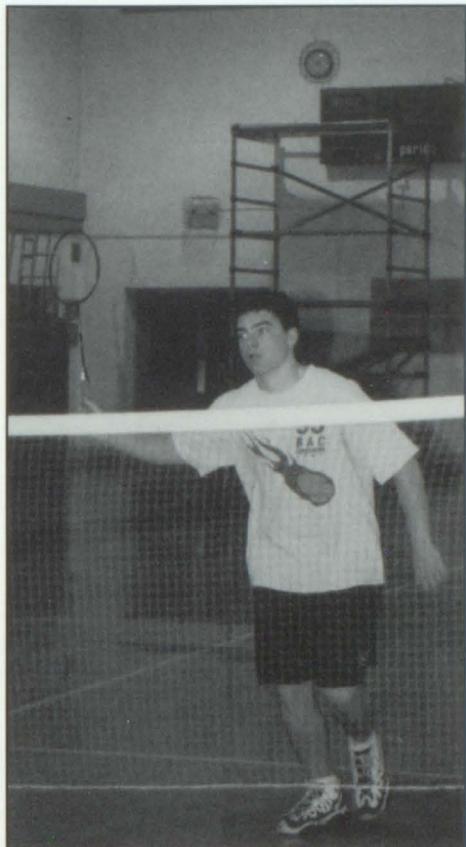


• (Left): Concentrating hard, Jeremy Sandheinrich draws a picture for Mr. Woesthaus' Art Class.

• (Above): The Art Department
• Mr. Beine, Mr. Woesthaus, and Mr. Brooks relax before school.



- (Left) Picture perfect. Carol Noel developed pictures for Mr. Beine's photography class.



- Constant competition. Luke Huling plays badminton in PE class.



Above) Mr. Schott, Mr. Foppe, Mrs. Kloess and Mrs. Schifferdecker take a break in the coach's office.

Playtime or P.E. ?

Although Physical Education is necessary for a well-rounded education, it can sometimes be overlooked. The PE department has successfully combined competition, good sportsmanship, and knowledge of the sports played.

This year, a new activity was introduced in the classes: taking written tests. Some students thought this was a trick because it was new. Some thought they were being punished for something. However, the reason for taking tests is to encourage the students to learn more about the sports they play.

Responsibility for the history and the rules of the sports is meant to encourage the student's participation.

The PE classes are not only held in the gym, but also on other facilities. New tennis courts were built recently and the PE classes have been utilizing them greatly. The PE instructors do their best to bring variety to the students and to use the many available resources. This department is a very helpful part of an Althoff education that allows a student to experience many things that will help them in life.

Working Overtime ALTHOFF ADMINISTRATORS

Most teachers work about ten months of the year and have summers off. That is not the case for our administrators. Principal Sr. Jan Renz, Vice Principal Mrs. Bolesta, and Assistant Principals Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Terveer, and Mr. Schott work all summer to keep our school running **LIKE CLOCKWORK**.

Our secretaries also work hard to help us out. Everyone knows Shirley, Sharon, and Lois. These smiling faces are always here to greet us when we accidentally oversleep and miss the morning bell. And, most importantly, they sell us

candy in the bookstore!

Jane Hendricks and Sharon Weinert have the monumental job of keeping the finances of our school up to date and in the black. Write a thank you note on your next tuition payment.

And who can forget Mrs. Schaefer and Mrs. Halpin in the Development Office. Taking care of Althoff's public relations, these ladies are always crusading for us.

We probably don't see a lot of the work these people do first hand, but we reap the benefits of the big decisions and their long hours.

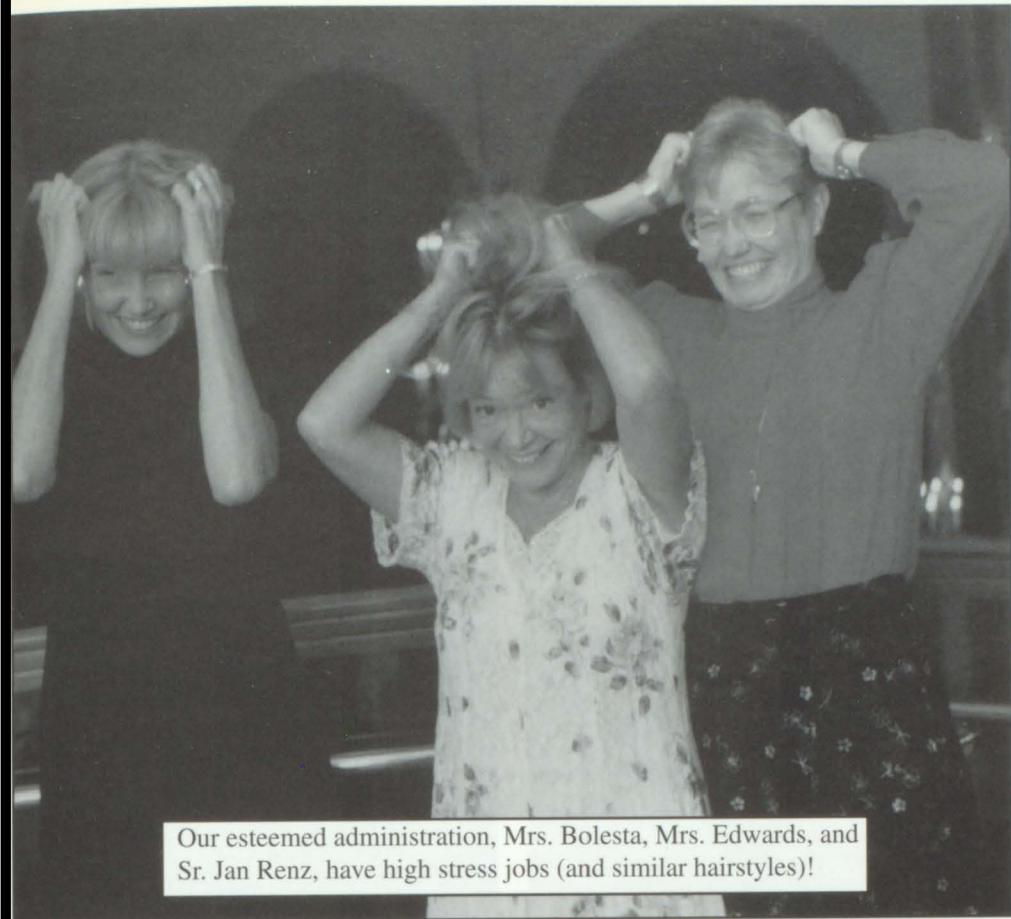
- Principal Sr. Jan Renz takes a break to smile for the camera.



- Secretary Shirley Hrabusicky hurries to the bookstore before lunch starts.

- Your car broke down again?
- Secretary Sharon Madaus writes up an admit slip.

- Secretary Lois Bollman opens the mail and distributes it to the fifty or so mailboxes at school.



Our esteemed administration, Mrs. Bolesta, Mrs. Edwards, and Sr. Jan Renz, have high stress jobs (and similar hairstyles)!

- Doesn't that diploma shine? Vice
- Principal Joyce Terveer shows off that
- treasured certificate.



- Ms. Hendricks serves as Althoff's business manager. Her assistant, Mrs. Sharon Weinert, receives
- flowers on her birthday.



- The development office is a busy place. Mrs. Shaeffer and Mrs. Halpin are hard at work.

Trends in Research

LIBRARY/INTERNET LAB

Flip goes the page and click goes the mouse as curious students use the Library and Internet lab for their various projects.

Traditional methods of research are updated and supervised by Mrs. Toennies and Mrs. Schmitz. Their tried and true techniques - card catalogues, the periodical index and bound volumes - lack the explosion of color and sound as found on the internet and they require the user to physically move about the room but their usefulness is still very real. There can be fewer stops, detours and hazards along the way than when using the information highway.

The new internet lab was

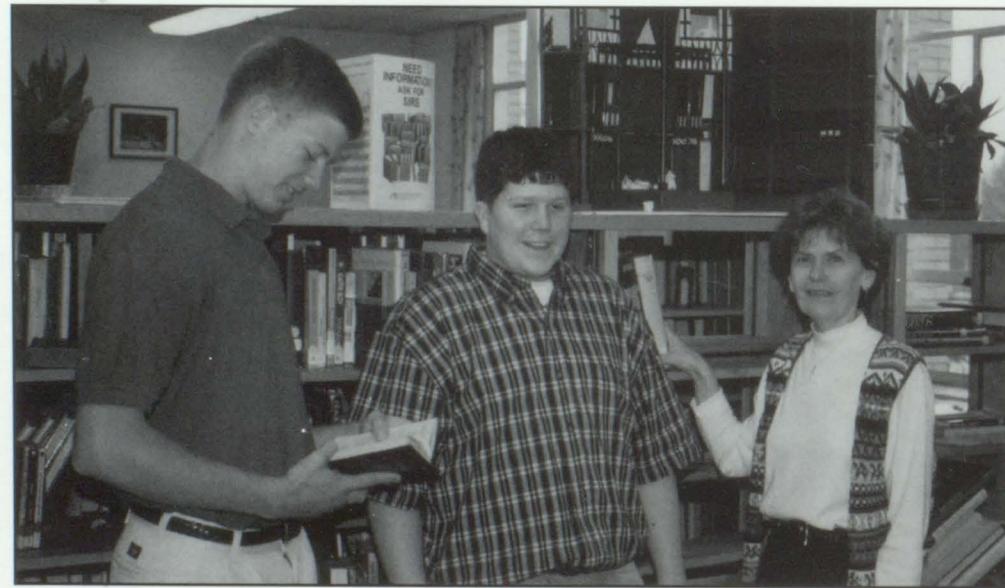
enthusiastically received by the Althoff community. Faculty members participated as moderators, lending advice on how to efficiently access the information needed. Frequently, it was a student teaching the moderator better shortcuts and ways to avoid pitfalls - truly an interactive learning environment!

Knowing how to retrieve information is essential to any career. Althoff's library and Internet lab offer students a variety of strategies so they will be well prepared for their futures.

• (Right): Several students enjoy their research time on the Internet in the new lab.

• (Far Right): Mr. Harr guides freshman Chris Jordan to his career and college destinies. Students appreciate the personal care and attention they receive.

• (Below): Mrs. Schmitz assists Matt Young and Justin Waligorski in the Library. Now, they can get their projects done in the nick of time.



• (Right): Mrs. Toennies has to choke library dues out of a forgetful Zack Ringhofer. Bet he wishes he paid his fines earlier!



Never Too Early for Guidance

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

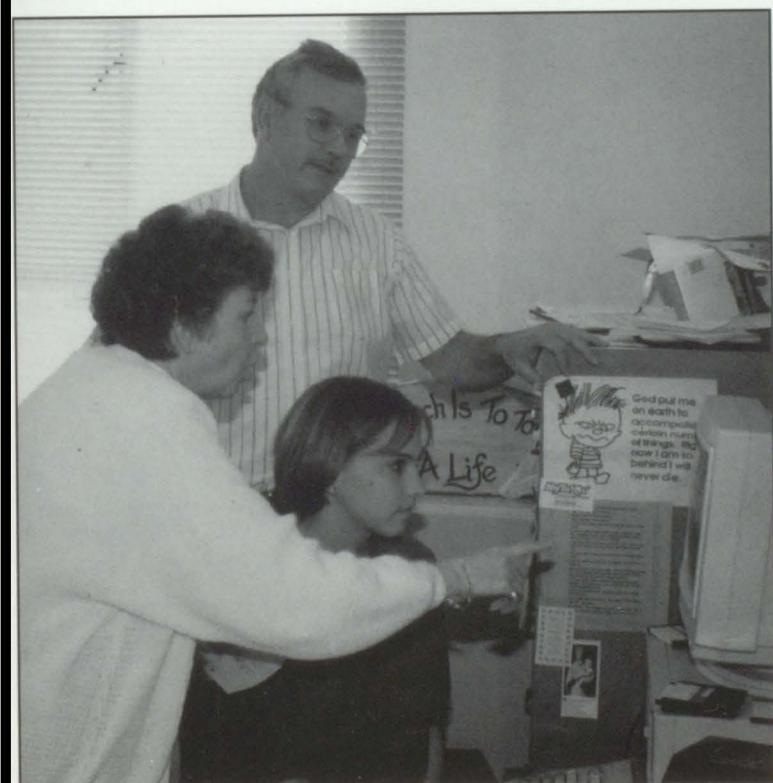
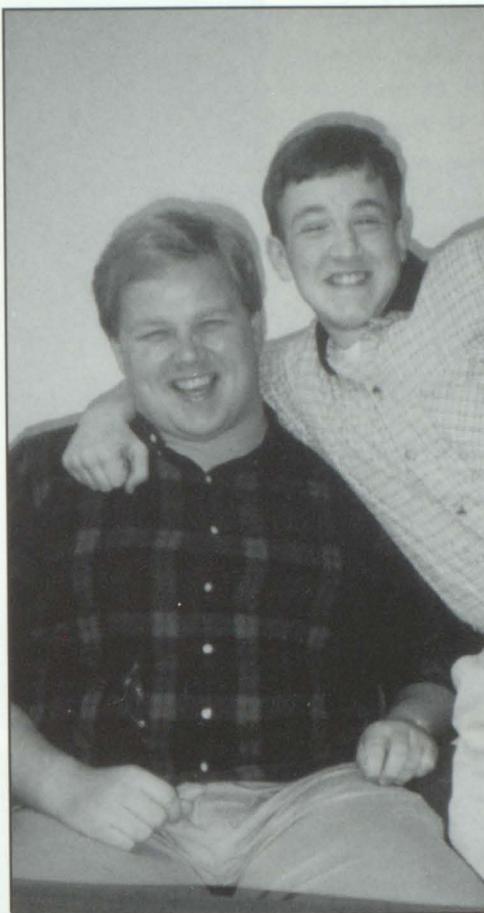
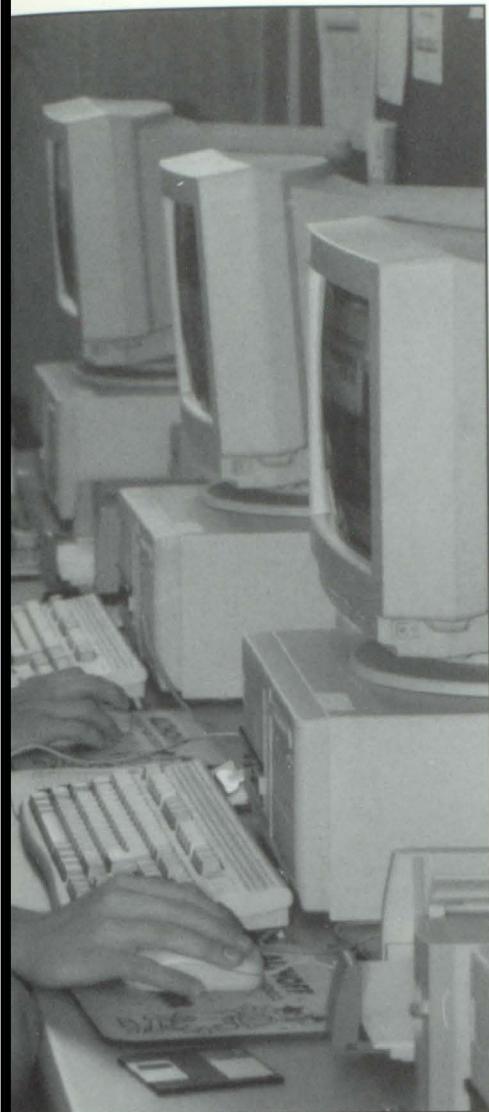
Throughout the four years that a student attends Althoff, many things change, but Guidance is always there. A student's counselor may change from year to year, but Guidance remains like a rock.

Mr. Rensing, Ms. Klauck and Mr. Harr are always there to challenge their students to plan for the future. Career searches and college applications are their specialties.

Always there is Mrs. Vahle, the Guidance secretary, to assist both the students and the counselors to keep everything organized.

It's always a good idea to begin taking advantage of the resources in Guidance during the Freshman year, as soon as you can.

Just remember, whenever you need advice on college, scholarships or career, see Guidance it's **ALWAYS THERE!**



• (Left): Ms. Klauck and Mr. Rensing head up the Guidance Department. Here, they assist inquisitive Jessica Zeisset with her career search.

• (Above): Mrs. Vahle, the Guidance secretary, keeps the department organized. She saves the counselors a lot of time with her work.

Behind the Scenes

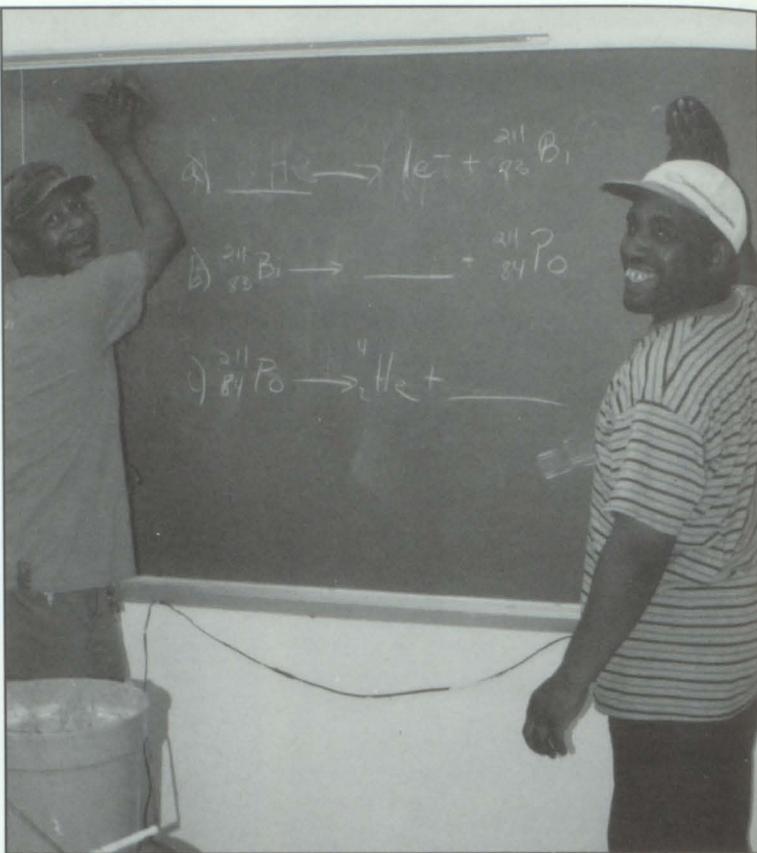
ALTHOFF STAFF

Hours before school starts and long after we've gone home, the Althoff staff is here. They are sweeping up our trash in the halls, cooking our macaroni and cheese and replacing burned out lights. Our staff, janitors and lunchroom workers, are dedicated to our school and to us.

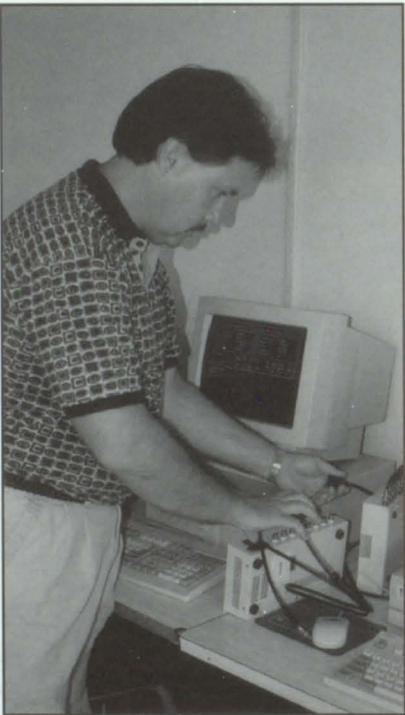
Lots of hard work goes on behind the scenes at Althoff. We don't usually see all the dedication it takes to keep out lives at Althoff

running smoothly. Maybe that's why we don't appreciate them as much as they deserve. So maybe we should get to know them. We should learn their names and thank them for their hard work. They make Althoff a much nicer place and keep everything running ... **LIKE CLOCKWORK**.

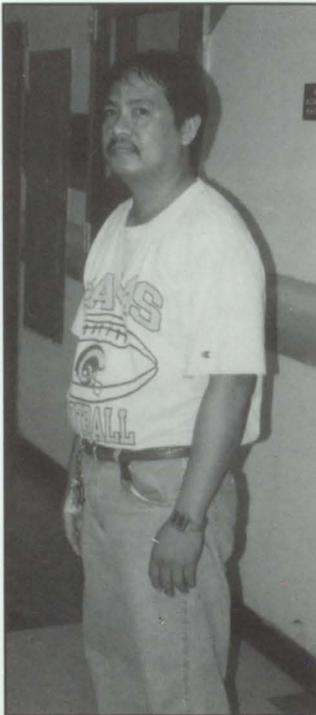
- (Right): Late after we have all gone home, Amos and Aaron work to clean the rooms so we can start the next day off right.



- Althoff's maintenance men, John Ackerman and Jim Young, take time out from their busy schedules.



- Computer Wizard, Dan Frein, connects the internet lab to the school's network.



- There's lots of work to be done for Rocky Obalos, a Clean Tech employee.



• (Left): Clean Tech supervisor, Opal King, admires the cleaning crew's handiwork.



• (Left): Teamwork between two of our ARA lunch ladies. Lisa Goodwin hands off a tray of nachos to a hungry customer.



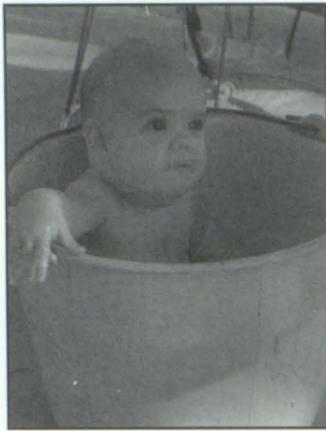
• (Above left): Outside in the hot weather, Keith cuts the grass behind the school.



• (Left): It's dish duty for Norma and Vicki, two of our ARA lunch ladies.



• (Far left): Clean Tech worker Valeri gets an early start cleaning up the halls.



Congratulations
Janelle!

Our
“Bucket of Joy”

Love Dad and Mom

Kate,

We are so proud of the special young lady you have become. You have worked hard to achieve your goals.

Follow your dreams!
You will always be our “princess”.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Chuck
and Bob



Congratulations Janelle!
Love,

Brian ('82) and Denise ('82)
Mike ('83) and Joann ('85)
Lisa ('86) and Rob ('87)
Pam ('91)
Eric (2001)



You have been together since grade K,
Soon you will each go your separate way,
To seek whatever the future may hold
Facing the world brave and bold.

Good Luck! We are proud of all of you.
Hugs, Kisses, and Our Love
from Guess Who?



Congratulations
Liz, Katie, and
Julie!

Good luck
and Godspeed.

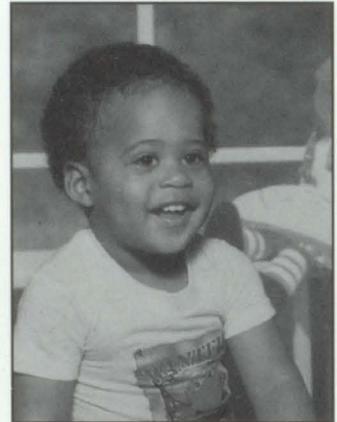
“If there were dreams to sell, what would you buy?”

-Thomas Beddoes

May all your dreams come true.

Congratulations and Love,

Mom and Dad

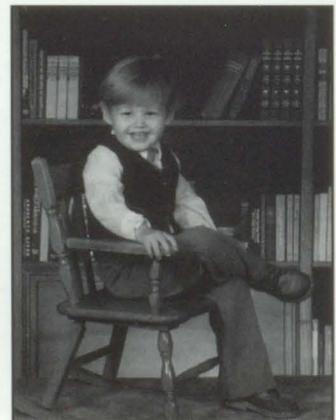


Jamie,
We are so proud of you. Thank you for all the joy you've brought into our lives. We love you.

Mom and Dad

You've come a long way, Justin, and we're all very proud of you! If you just follow your heart and believe in yourself, you can do anything you want. We love you and will always stand behind you and support you.

Mom, Dad
Dominic, Jessica and Ryan





To Our Rising Star

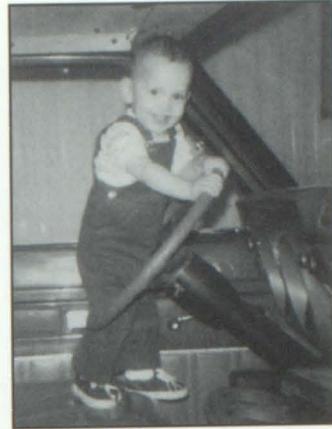
Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Your Loving Fans,
Mom, Dad and Matt

G.J.

You're on your way!
We are proud of you
and wish you happiness and success in all
your endeavors.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Congratulations Melanie

We are proud of you and all that you have accomplished. Always have confidence in yourself. Believe in yourself, your dreams, and you will be successful and happy. You can do whatever you set your mind to.

Love
Mom and Dad



Kevin,
From childhood to manhood- always the dreamer. Now as you venture out on a new beginning may your dreams and hopes become realities. Remember to keep dreaming and reaching for the stars and may life always be good to you. You have always been a bright shining star to us and we are very proud of you.
With all our love,
Mom and Dad
Good luck and best wishes in the future. Dallas

Megan,
You were a small child and now a young adult. Where did the time go? Good luck in college. We are so proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad and Ali

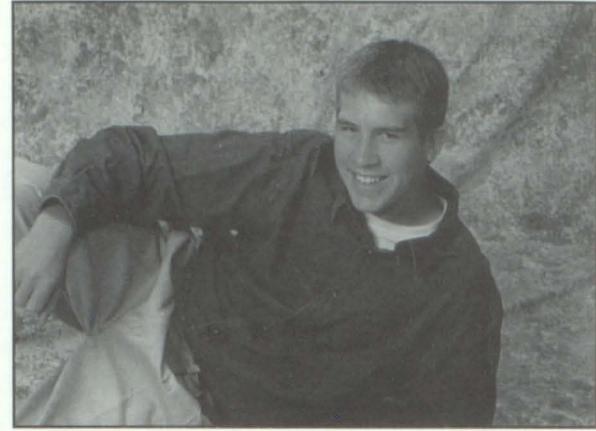
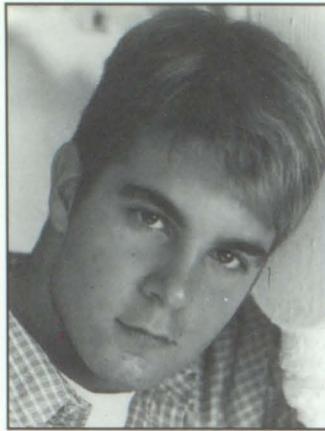


Katy,
Congratulations to a beautiful young lady! We are so proud of you!

Love always,
Dad, Mom, Joe and Sam

Congratulations
Little Dancer





Ryan,

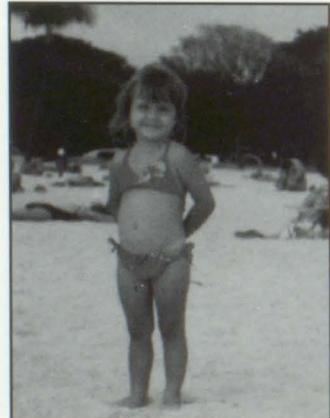
Congratulations on your many talents and accomplishments ... follow your dreams!

**Love,
Mom**

Aloha Erin,

**Life's like a beach ... forever changing.
Have fun with it and follow your dreams, wherever they take you.**

**Love,
Dad, Mom and Dustin**

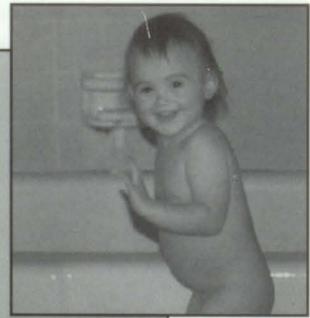
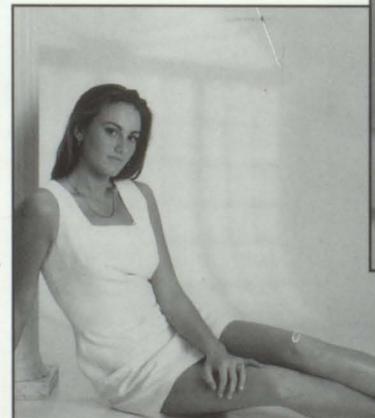


Ashley,

**You will always be my Pumpkin-Butt,
I adore everything about you (from your captivating smile to your wicked snarl),
I am graced by you as my Daughter,
Best of All, I am blessed with a Best Friend!**

Good Luck in all of your endeavors and remember, 'It's Your Day'!

**Love, Always and Forever,
Mom/Lori**





Best Wishes, Kristin

**Always remember we're here to
encourage and cheer you on. Much
happiness. You're a winner.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad And Kara**

Congratulations, Amanda!

**We are very proud of you and wish you
luck next year at Truman State.**

**Love,
Mom and Dad**



Congratulations, Justin-

**You have always been #1 on our team!
There will be many challenges ahead,
but you can always count on our love
and support. Good Luck!**

Dad, Mom, Derek and Andrew



**A Star was born...7/27/80...
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loved...
The man he has become brings us joy and
happiness...
We love you, Adam Cannady.**

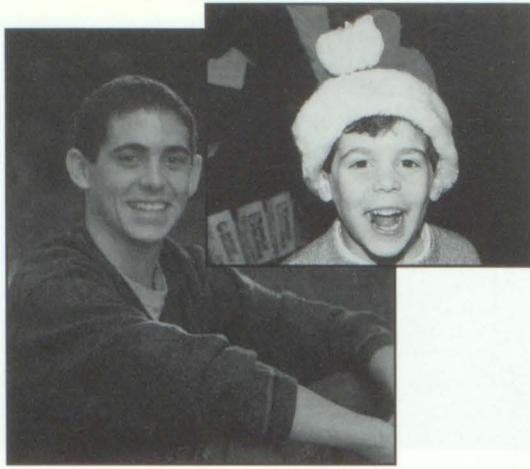
**Mom & Dad, Angie & Jeff,
Drew & Alison**



Aaron,

Congratulations on your achievements so far. We are very proud of you. We wish you the best in reaching your goals in the future.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Eric,

We are so proud of you. Take your best swing.



Blake,
You have always made us proud. We wish you continued success toward your future goals.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Brian

Congratulations Bryan!

Anything for a laugh!

We are proud of you and your hard work and accomplishments. You are our 'one and only' son and will always be very special to us. We love you very much. May all your dreams come true. You can make it happen.

Love You Always,
Mom, Dad, Angie and Christie



Ryan,
You've given me 18 years of laughter, excitement and overwhelming pride. Now you head into a new world. You take with you a wealth of knowledge gathered in church, class, on the courts and in our family room. Use it to make your mark! And when you need help, remember...I always got your back.
Love, Mom

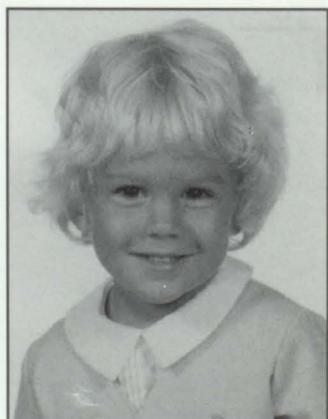


Jeremy,
Congratulations!
We're very proud of you. May your future be filled with success and happiness.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Jordan

Congratulations,
Carson!

We love you and are really proud of you!





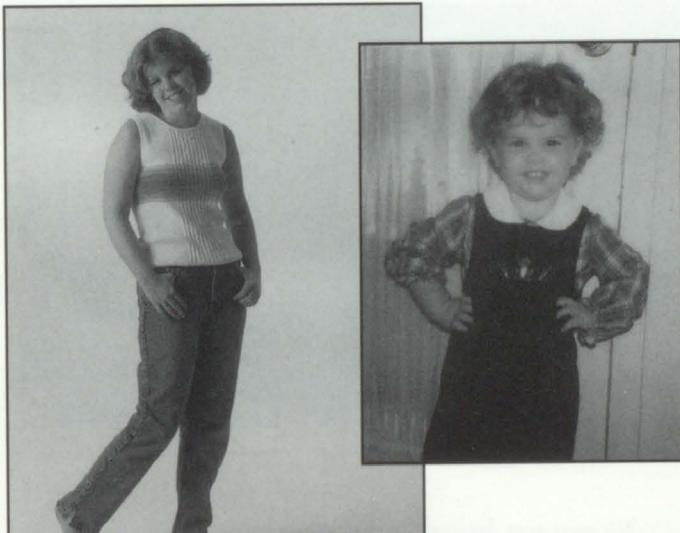
**Congratulations, Nick.
You've had a great four years.
Best of Luck in college!
We love you!**

Mom, Larry and Erin



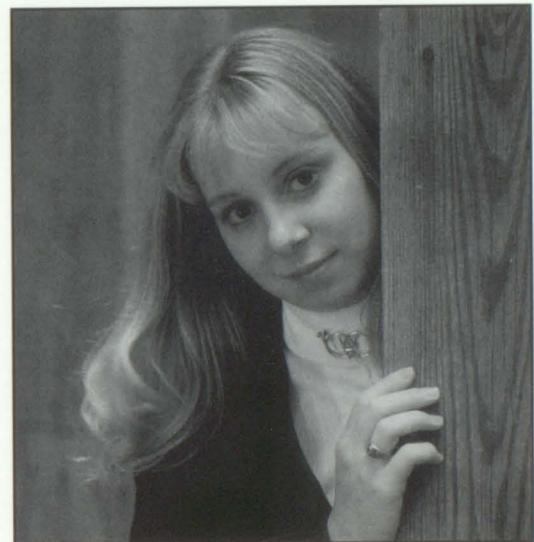
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Best Wishes and Love**

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Jeff & Karen, Chris & Gracie
and Steve**



**You've come a long way baby and
we're very proud of you.**

**Love ya,
Mom, Dad, Kyle and Eric**



**Tiffany
We are very proud of you.
Wishing you all of the best in your
future. Remember we will always be
there for you with open arms and all of
our love.**

Mom and Dad



**Congratulations
Vanae'**

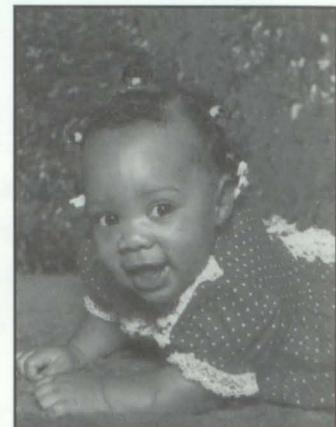
**You are a rose
among flowers.**

**Mama and
Nielson**

**Best Wishes
Vanae'**

**With God you
have done it.**

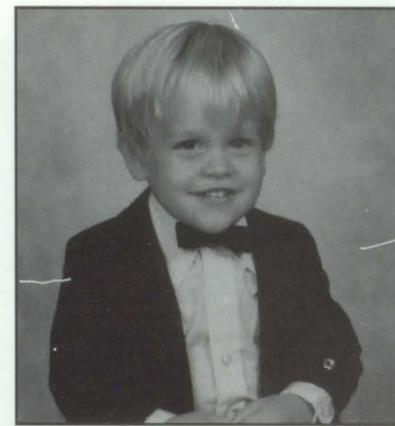
**Godgranny
and Tobbie**



B.J.

**We are very proud of you and will
always love you.**

Mom, Dad, Chris and Maw Maw



**Max,
We are very proud of you and
wish you the best of luck in all
your future endeavors.**

**Love always,
Mom, Dad and Gwen**

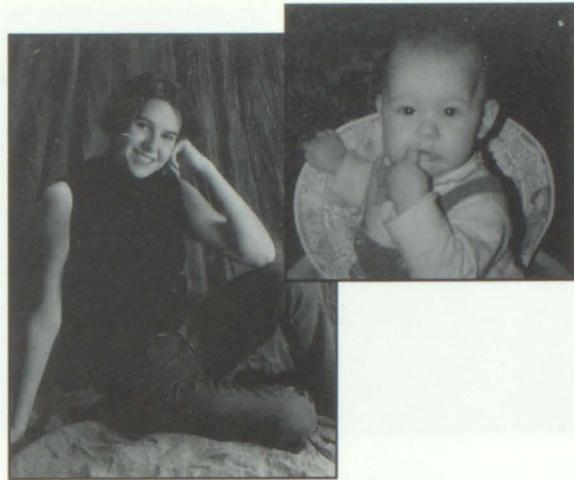


**Hi Courtney,
Congratulations!**

It gives me the greatest pleasure to say I am proud of you and I could not have asked God for more than He has given: a beautiful, talented, creative, intelligent, ambitious daughter.

May God richly bless your road to success.

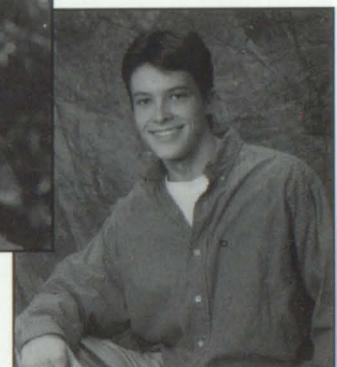
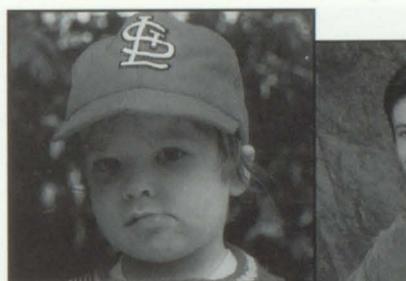
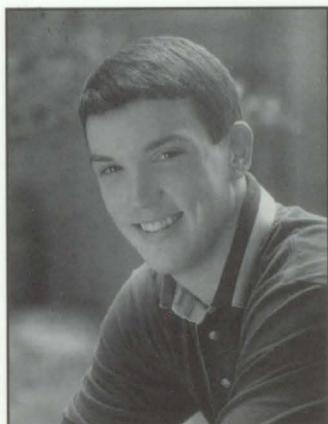
Love forever,
Mom



Tara,

You have grown from my little "pork chop" to a beautiful young woman. I'm so proud and love you so.

Mom



**To my Justin,
The sunshine of my life,**

I commend you for your unwavering diligence and hard work and numerous accomplishments...

I applaud you
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for all you are
with Hope
for all you'll be
and with deepest love
forever always

mom

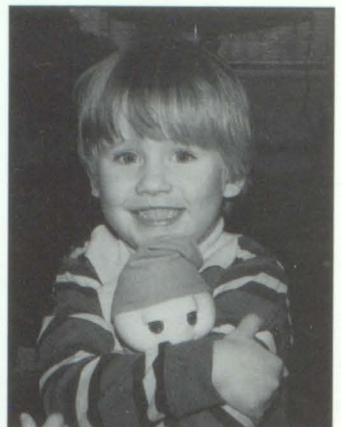
Dear Matthew,
We want you to know how proud we are of you and all that you accomplished in your days at Althoff. It just seems like yesterday that those days began. We wish you all the best in your years to come. May you use the talent God gave you to be the best you can be.

Love,
Mom & Dad



**Michael,
Congratulations!**

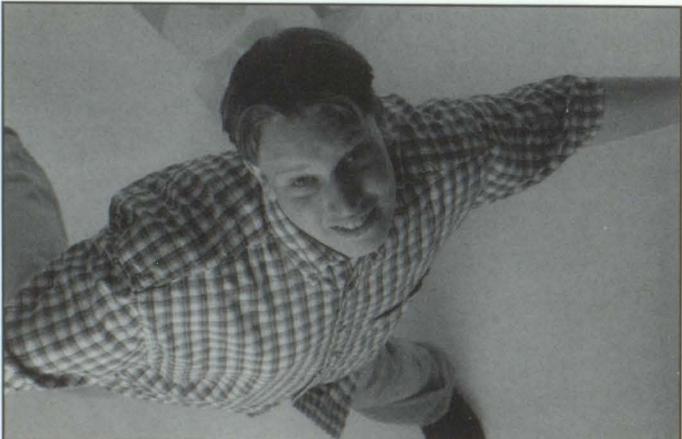
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Mom & Dad
Liz, Gwen, Thomas, Joseph,
Johannah &
David**



Congratulations, Jazmin

**We are very proud of you.
Remember you are never alone
and there is nothing that can take
away our love.**

**Love,
Mom, Dad and Jamie**



“Gonna fly now!”

**Love,
Mom, Dad and Liz**



**Punkin-
You were adorable
then and still are now,
but we are most proud
of the person you've
become.**

**Congratulations and
good luck Jill-Jill.**

Love, Mom and Dad

**You have come a
long way but this
is just the
beginning of your
journey.**

**Good Luck!
Love Always,
Mommy**



**Elizabeth,
We're all so very
proud of you!
Make your
dreams come true!**

**We love you!
Mom &
The Family**



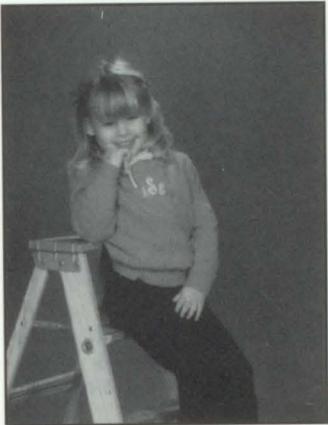


Amy was cool before
she knew what cool
was.
Is the world ready for
her?
We know she will do
her best and go far.
Good Luck!

Love,
Dad, Mom, and Jody



Anni
May the Luck of
the Irish be with
you.
Congratulations!
Love,
Mom and Dad



Ashley,
Keep on climbing
to your dreams.
We believe in you!

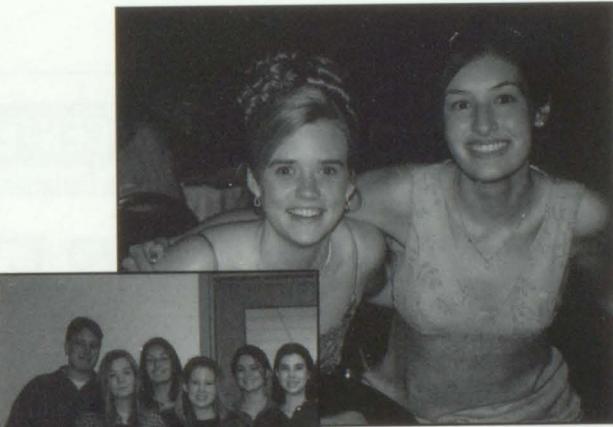
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Brittany, Brandon
& Ryan



Gettin' Jiggy With Ms. G!



Congratulations, Leslie!
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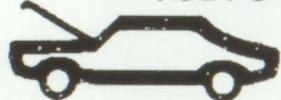
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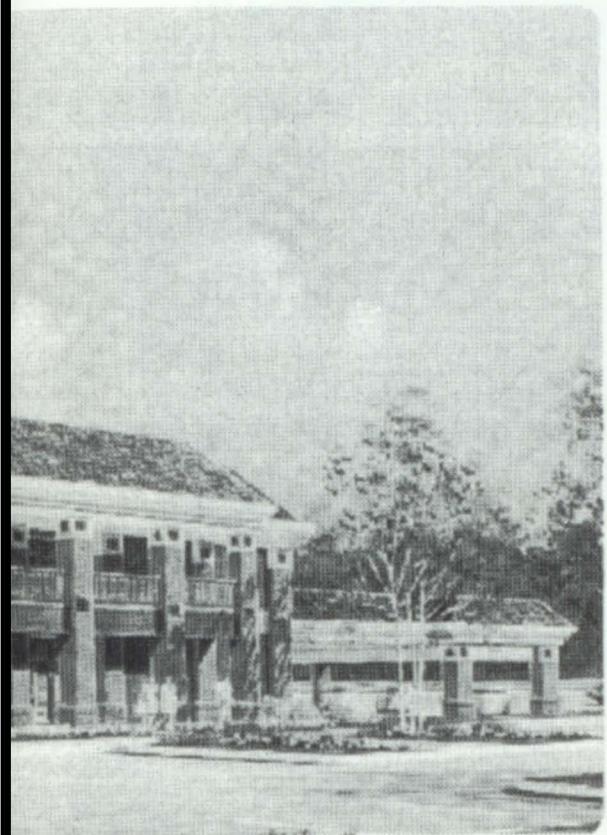
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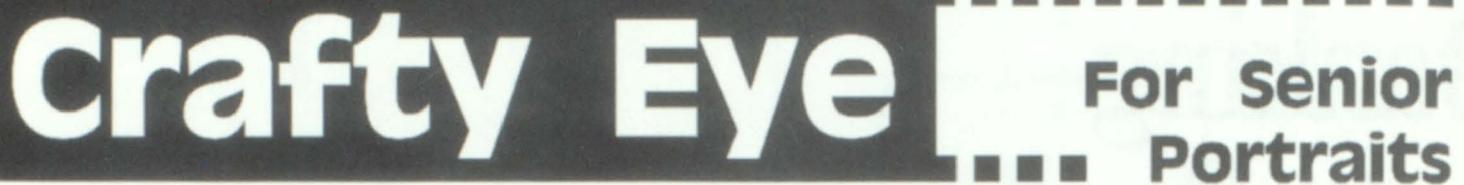
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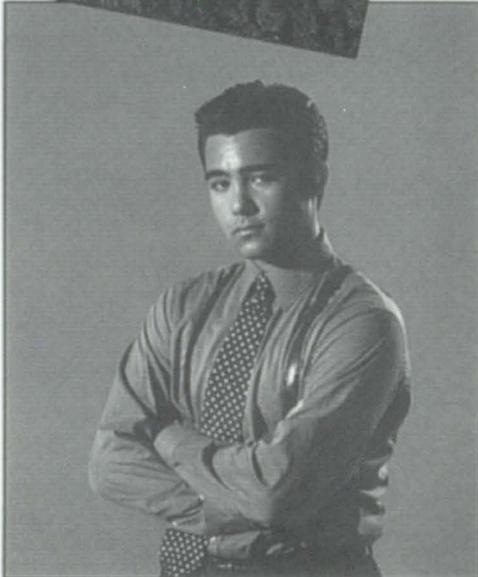
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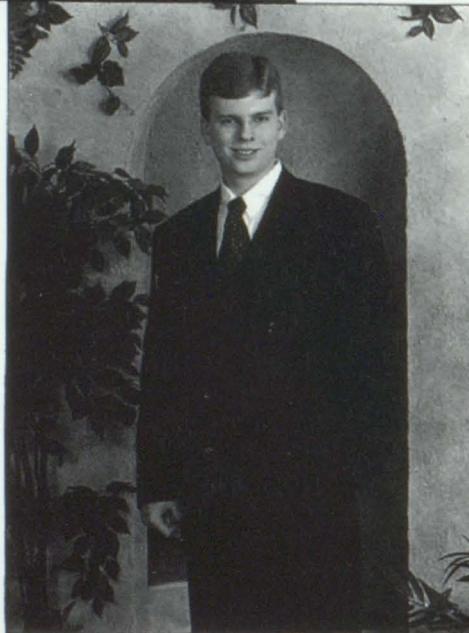
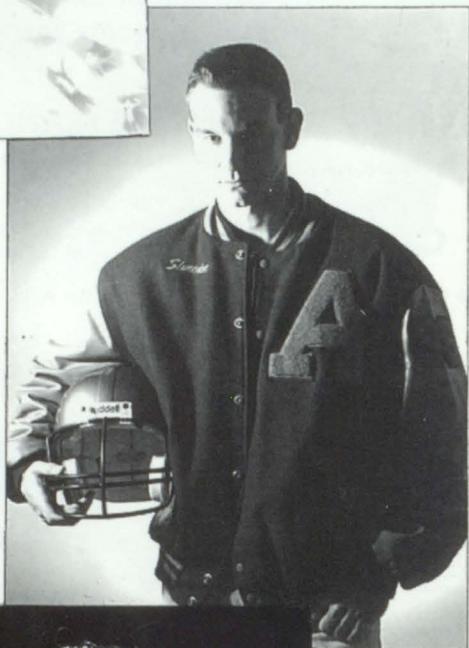
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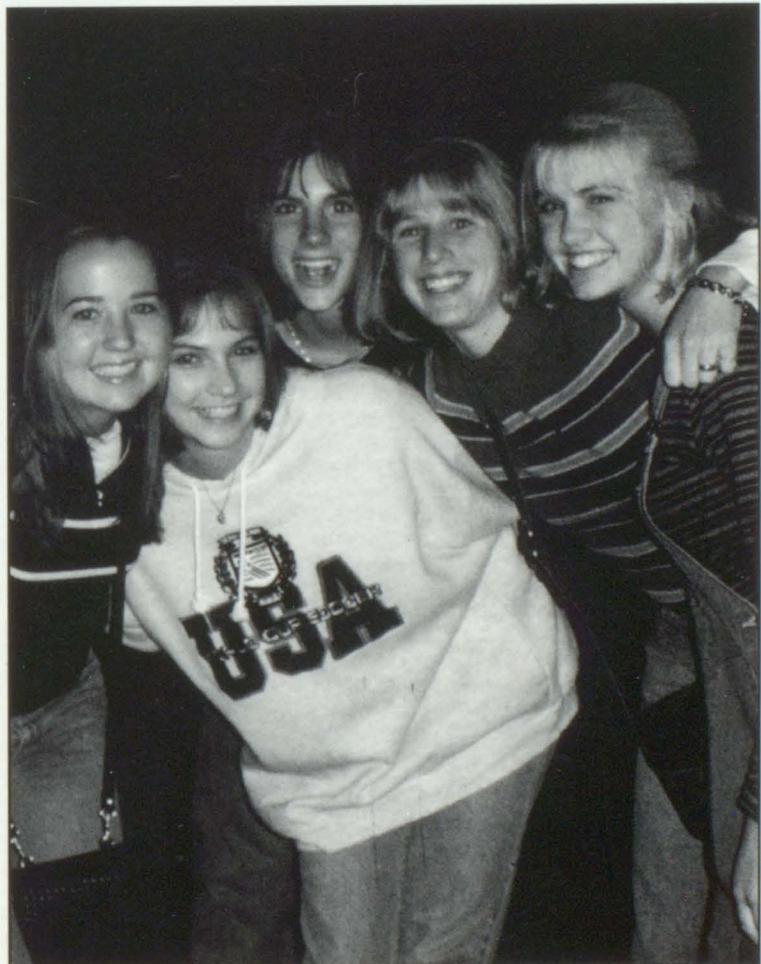
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Years of Dedication THEIR TIME OF SERVICE



Jim Igel and Joyce Treveer are our honored guests today, For each decided that retirement life would be a better way. Just so all have the facts clear, Jim has been teaching for 37 years.

Joyce just a few less than that, Her years total 33 and that is a fact.

English was Joyce's teaching world, Then one year she became Dean of Girls.

Jim usually taught Social Studies courses of some kind, But for a while some English courses he was assigned.



Play producer Joyce has been for who knows how many years,

Some where along the way the school paper became part of her career.

Jim is teaching history courses day in and day out,

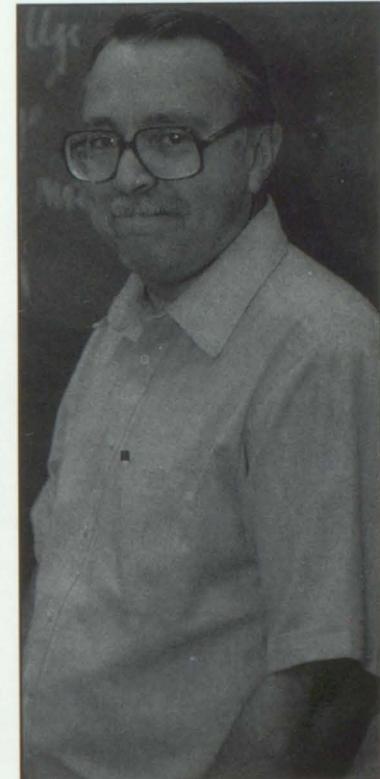
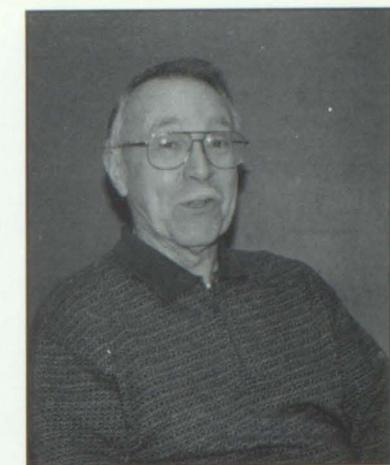
Didn't he have something to do with Model UN starting out?

You've both brought much to the Althoff scene.

And no one can measure just what it means.

As you both go forward to your retirement days, All the best of life for you we pray.

- Ms. Orella Gansmann



*Thank You,
Sister Helena Leach*

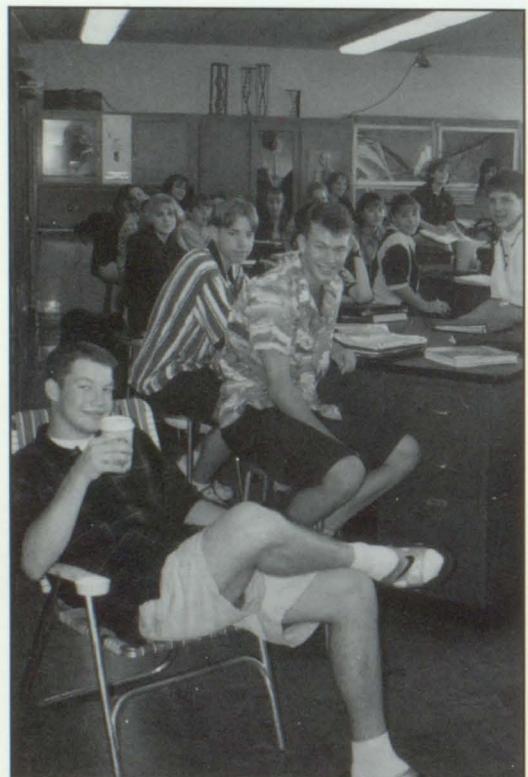
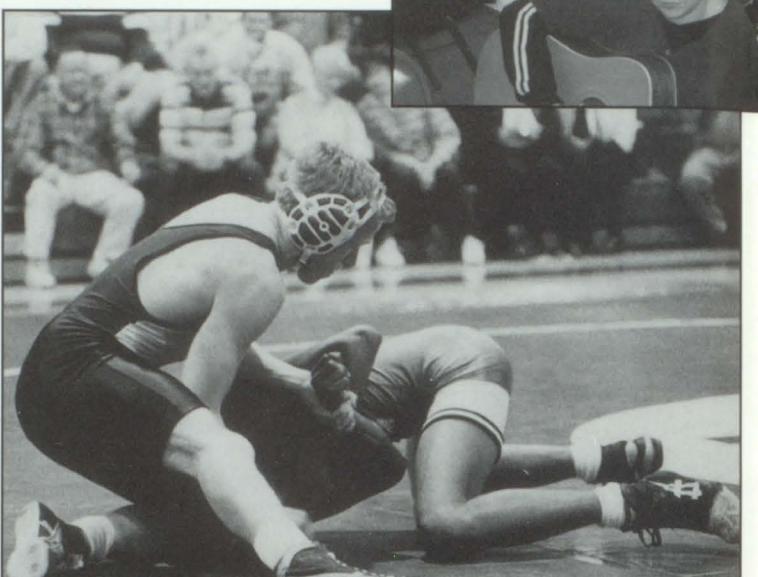
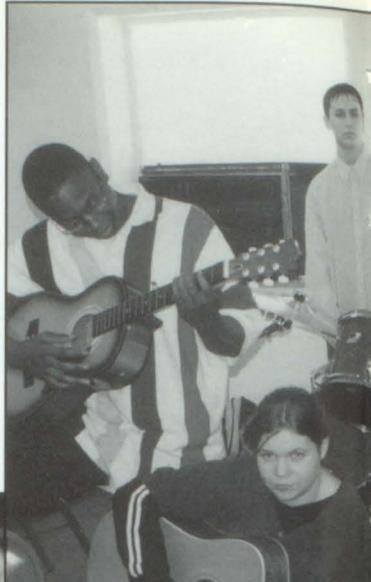
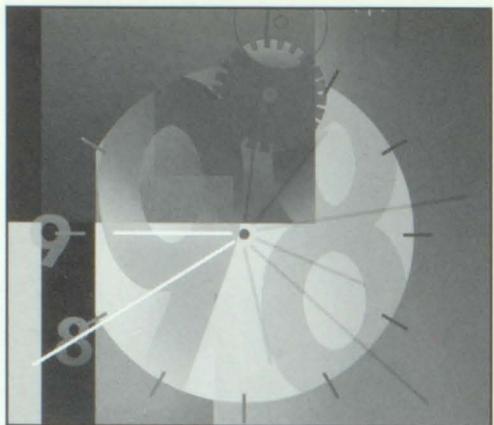
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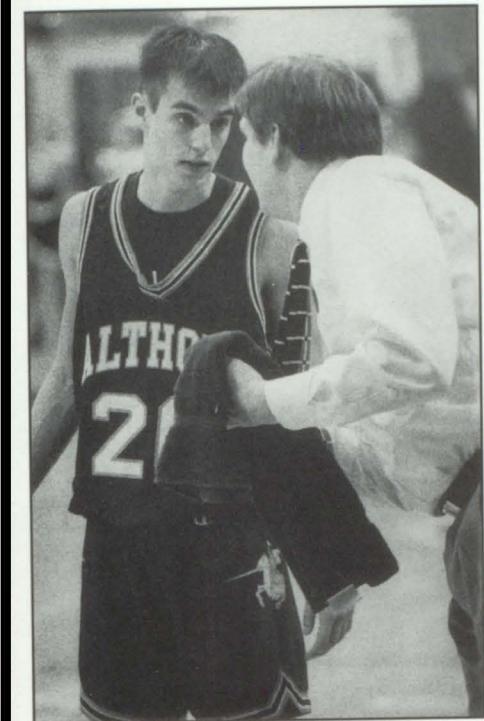
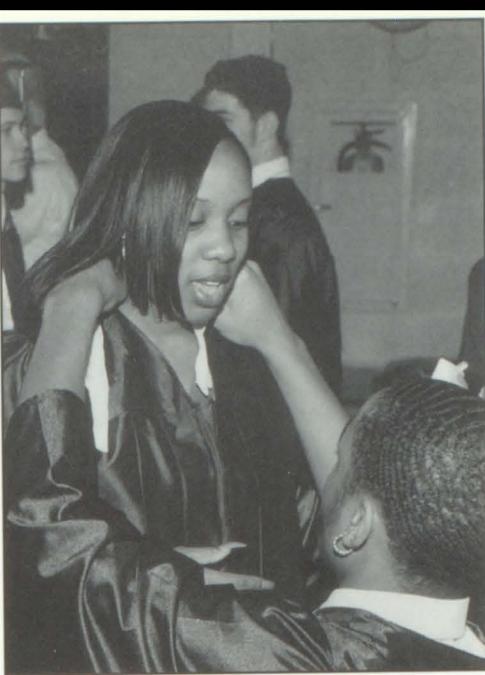
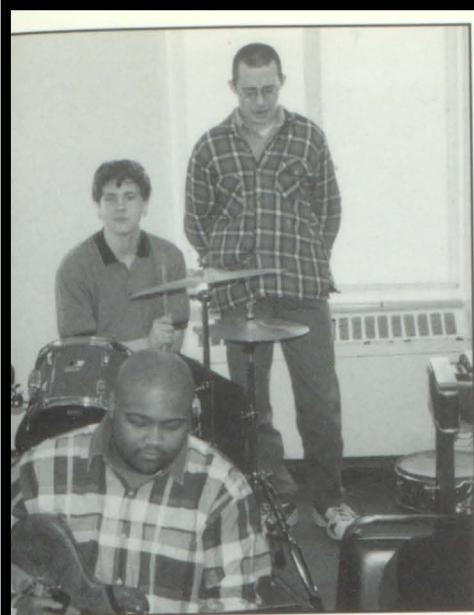
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

-Robert Frost
"The Road Not Taken"



Althoff changed in many ways during the '97-'98 year. We welcomed several new teachers and said good-bye to well-loved faces. Our academic departments blossomed, opening new minds to new subjects. In supplement to already existing classes, several new programs took their first tentative steps forward, adding to the classroom experience. Sports programs continued to grow and develop, building on seasoned members and previous years. Most importantly, the school body grew together. We faced challenges daily and conquered seemingly impossible obstacles. We learned to face life and all it has to offer one day at a time without skipping a beat; living, laughing, learning, and loving.....

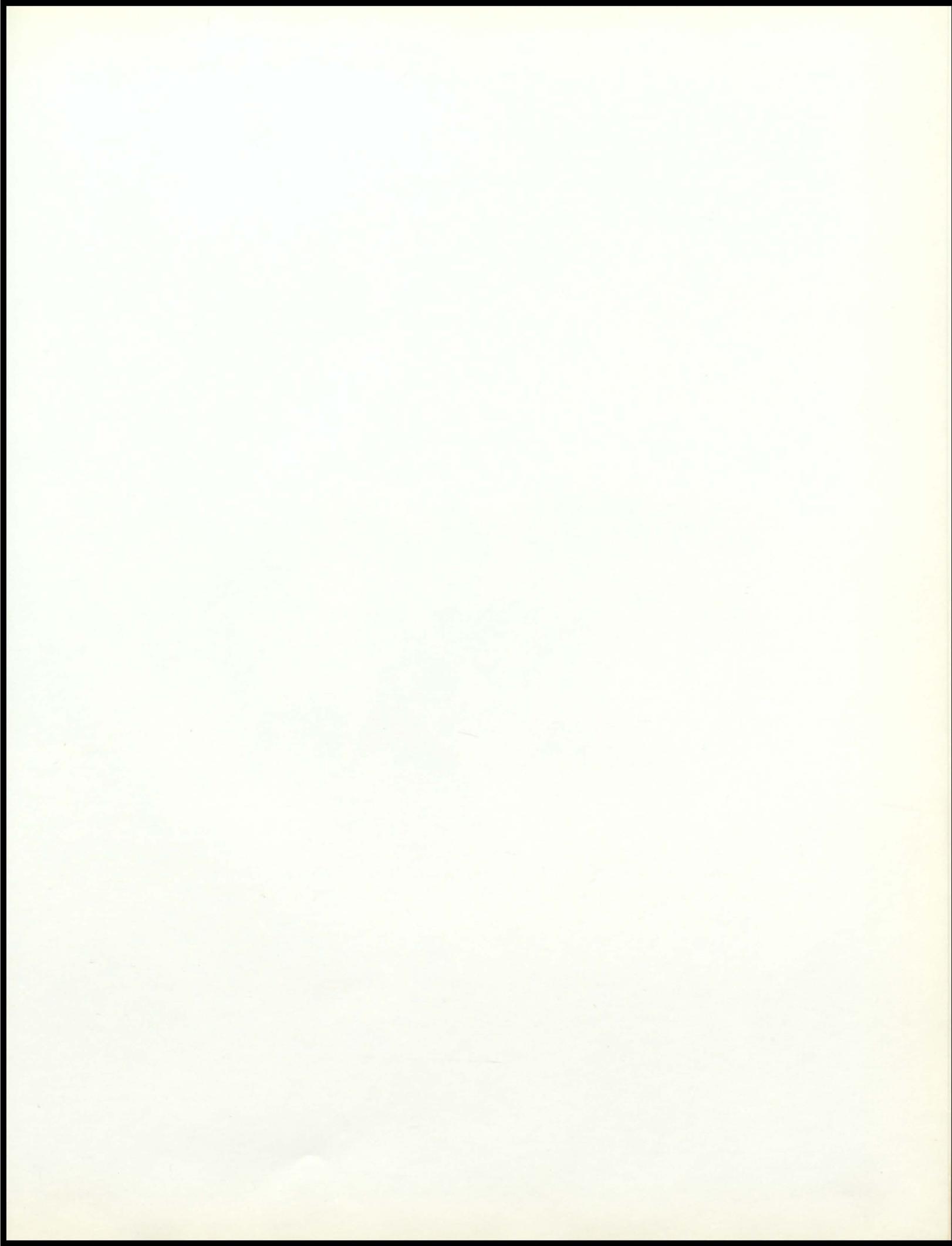
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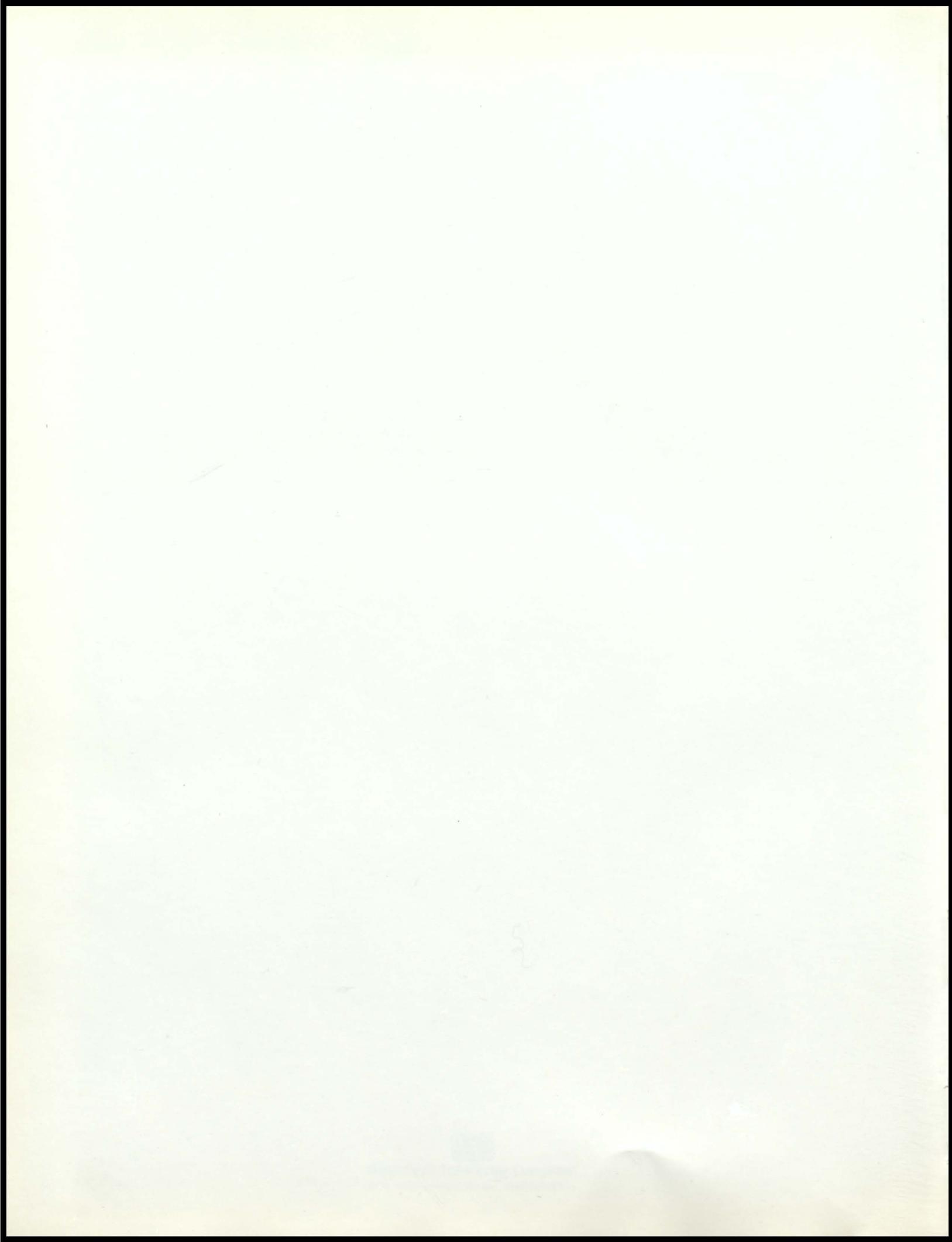


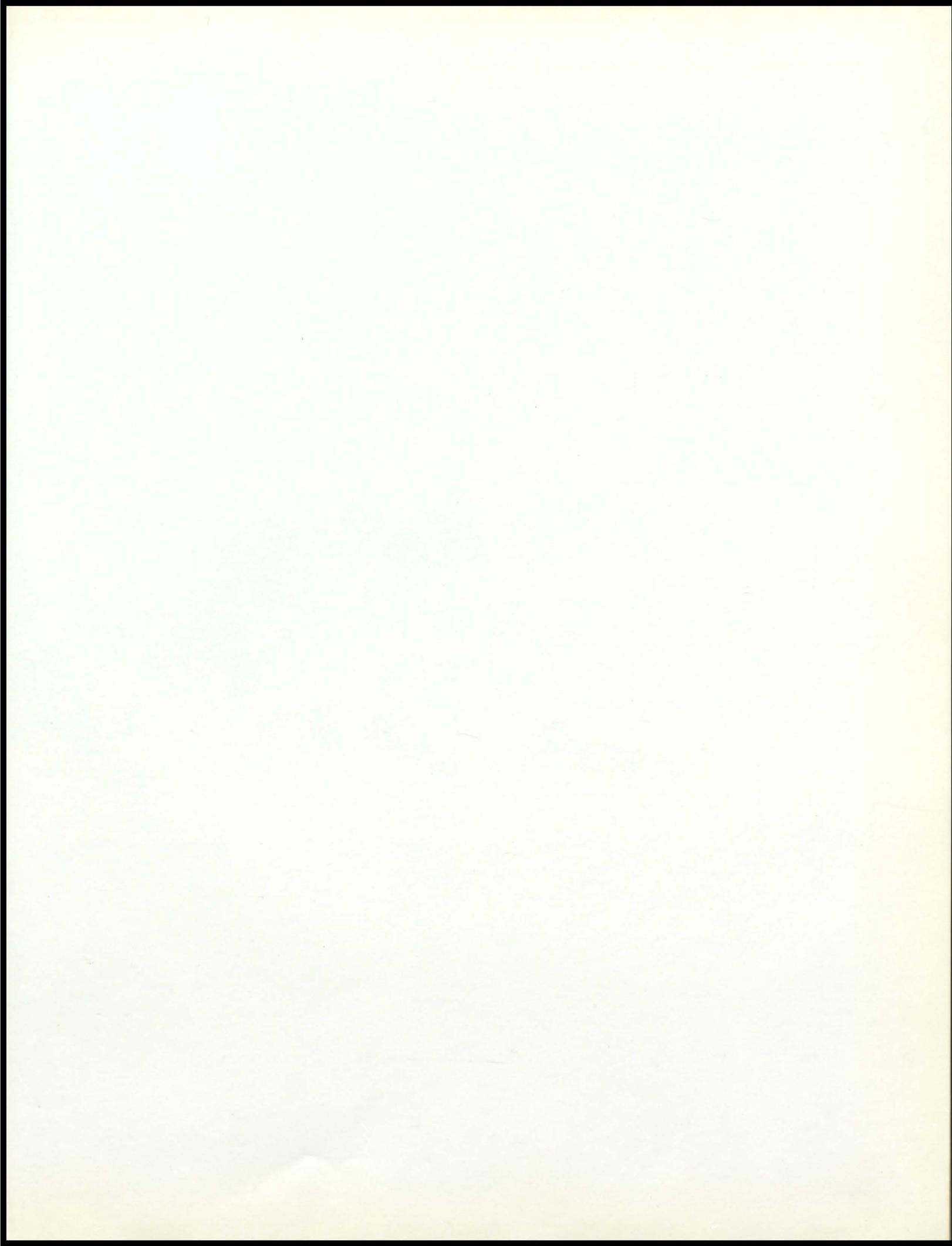


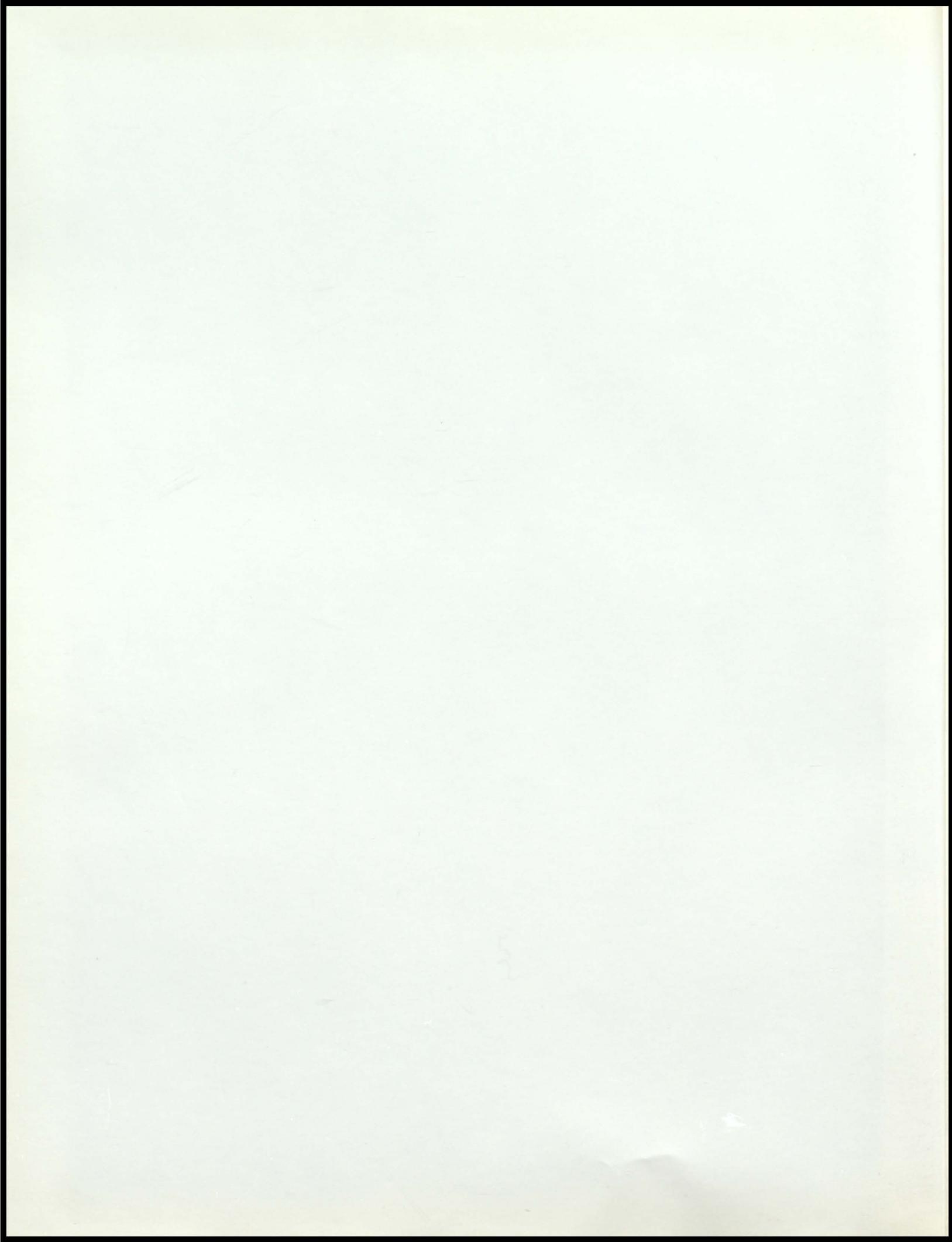
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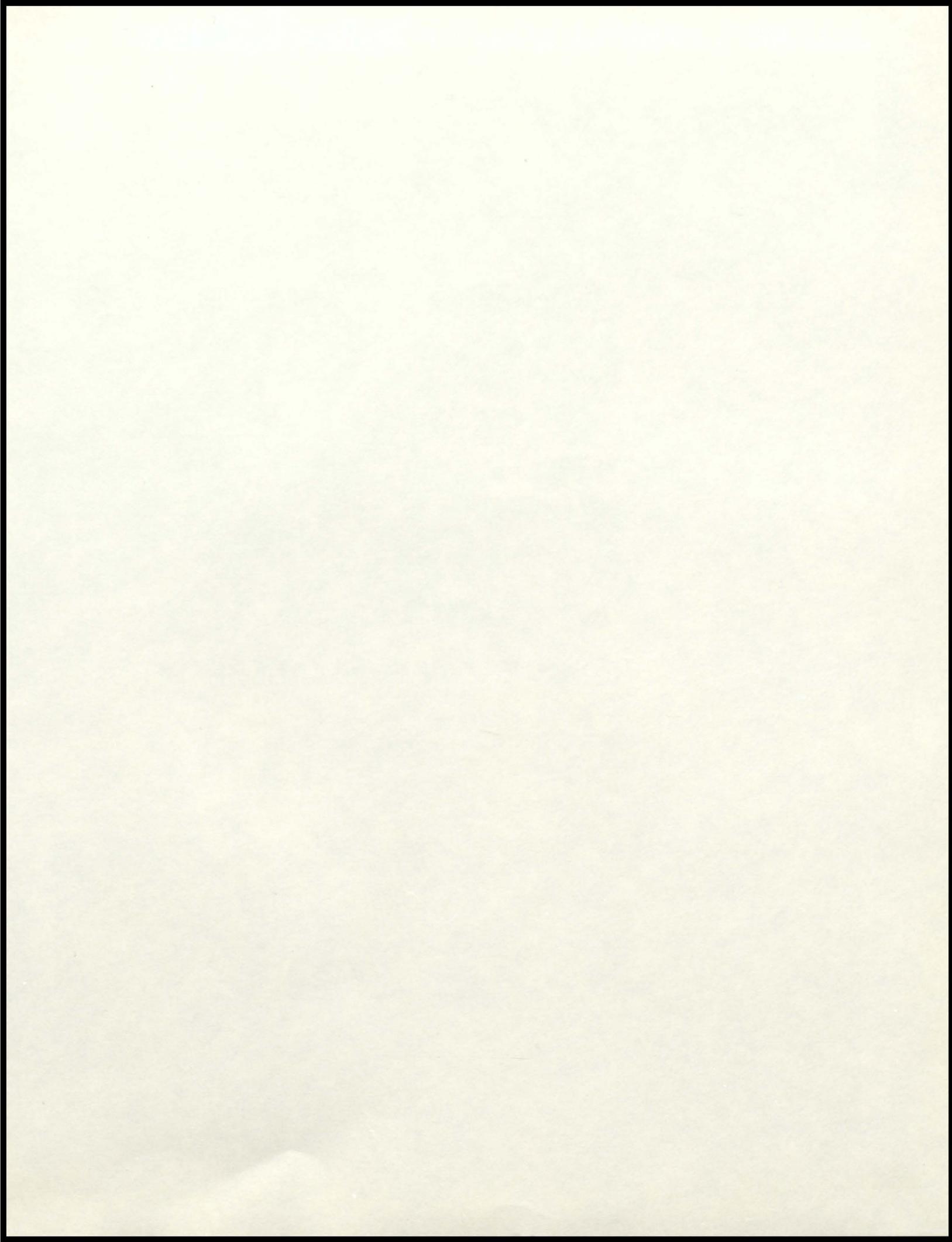
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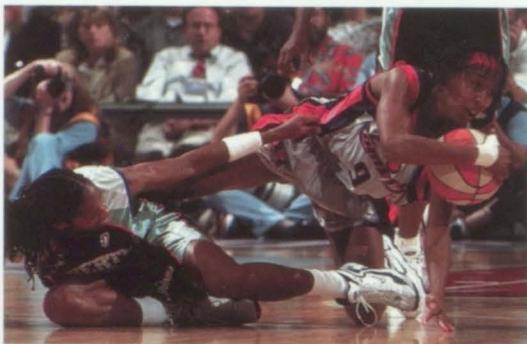
EXCLUSIVE: Jerry Seinfeld explains why he quit—and talks about his future



Supplied by AP

"Men in Black," starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones, was the blockbuster movie of the summer. The science-fiction comedy about federal agents battling extraterrestrials won the Oscar for best make-up.

The WNBA made a name for itself in its inaugural season with the backing of the NBA and a catchy slogan, "We Got Next!" The league consisted of eight teams in the NBA's largest markets, such as New York, Los Angeles and Houston. In the first WNBA Championship Game in August, the Houston Comets beat the New York Liberty, 65-51.



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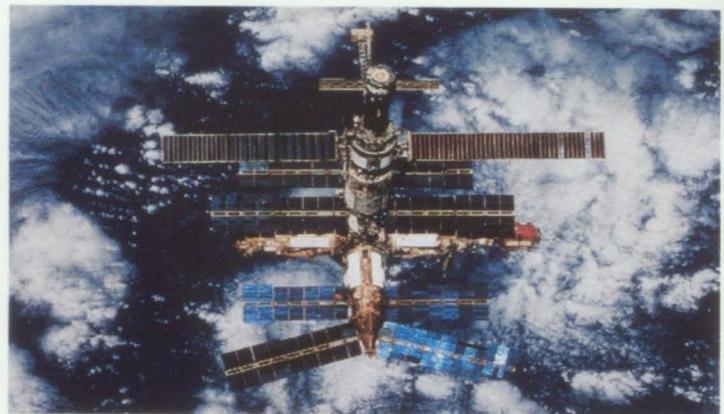


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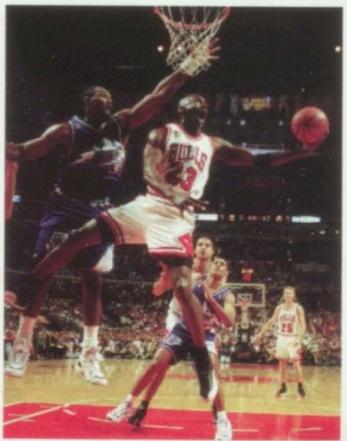
Adam Nadel/AP

Union workers for United Parcel Service went on strike for 16 days in August, crippling the world's largest package delivery company and wreaking havoc on virtually everyone in the business world and their customers. The strike, which involved 185,000 members of the Teamsters' union, was the largest in the United States in more than a decade. It was caused by UPS's increasing reliance on part-time workers and was ultimately resolved by the creation of 10,000 new full-time jobs.



NASA/SIPA Press

Mir, the 12-year-old Russian space station, experienced several mishaps during the year, the worst of which was in June when an unmanned cargo ship crashed into Mir, leaving a gash in the pressurized vessel that was responsible for a substantial power loss. In January, American astronaut David Wolf floated outside the Mir on a mission to examine the outer hull. The aging complex is a test-bed for the international space station Alpha, components of which will be launched in 1998.



Beth Keiser/AP

Mike Tyson **displayed a raw savagery** that sickened even the most die-hard boxing fans when he bit off pieces of not one, but both, of Evander Holyfield's ears during their heavyweight title bout in June. By the third round, Tyson had become frustrated and at some point discarded his mouth piece. Soon after, he took a bite out of

Holyfield's right ear and then, after a penalty, bit his left ear, causing the referee to disqualify him. In July, Tyson's boxing license was permanently revoked and he was fined \$3 million. ♦ Italian fashion designer Gianni Versace, 50, **was gunned down** in July outside his South Beach mansion in Miami by serial killer Andrew

Death of a Princess



Dian Martinez/AP

The world lost one of its pre-eminent humanitarians when Princess Diana died Aug. 31. Her goodwill efforts extended far beyond her royal obligations and included charitable work for children and those with AIDS and breast cancer.

Ian Waldie/AP



Millions watched Sept. 6 as the royal family bade farewell to their princess. The coffin containing Diana's body was transported to a memorial service at historic Westminster Abbey by horse-drawn carriage. Celebrities and dignitaries attended the service, which was televised internationally.

Michel Spingler/AP

PAPARAZZI
ASSASSINS
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Many blamed the paparazzi for causing the tragic accident that killed Princess Diana. The car she was riding in crashed following a high-speed chase with photographers on motorcycles. Some of the blame was later placed on Diana's chauffeur, Henri Paul, when an autopsy revealed he was more than three times over the French blood-alcohol limit for driving.

YOU Said...
How much
responsibility
did the PAPARAZZI have
in Princess Diana's death?

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION.

A LOT - 45%
SOME - 48%
NONE - 5%

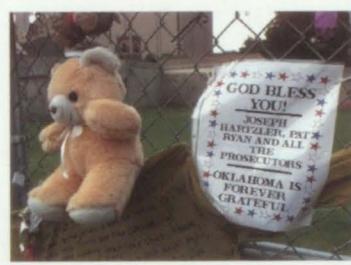


David Brauchli/AP

Princess Diana's untimely death shocked the world, resulting in an unprecedented outpouring of grief from around the world. Thousands of people lined the streets of London to pay their last respects. Flowers and personal mementos piled up at the gates of London's Buckingham and Kensington palaces and the royal family received condolence cards by the millions.

The Mars Pathfinder, carrying the rover Sojourner, made a historic journey to our planetary neighbor in July, collecting fascinating and useful information. In October, scientists announced that Mars, like the Earth, has a crust, a mantle and an iron core, making it likely that the planet once had water on it. Initially, Pathfinder's mission was planned to last 30 days, and Sojourner was only expected to run for a week. But the batteries held out, and the mission continued for three months, sending back 2.6 billion bits of information and 16,000 images.

The Chicago Bulls held off the Utah Jazz in the NBA Finals in June to win their fifth championship in seven seasons. For the first time, however, the Bulls, led by the perennial trio of Michael Jordan, Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman, had to battle their way to the top. Hard-fought playoff games with Washington, Atlanta and Miami set the stage for a no-holds-barred tilt with the Jazz.



J. Pat Carter/AP

Timothy McVeigh was found guilty in June and later sentenced to death by lethal injection for the deaths of 168 people in the April 1995 bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City. People all over the world shared in the triumph of the victims' families and friends following the verdict. Prosecutors in the case were glorified for bringing closure to what many considered the worst act of terrorism in American history.

Cunanan. The subject of a national FBI manhunt, Cunanan shot himself to death less than a week later in a houseboat just a short distance from Versace's villa. ♦ The wacky antics of a **"Seinfeld" episode** had an American brewery executive laughing all the way to the bank. Jerold McKenzie was fired by his company after he

discussed the episode with a female co-worker. In the episode, Jerry forgets his new girlfriend's name and can only remember it rhymes with a female body part. The co-worker complained to her bosses and McKenzie lost his \$130,000-a-year job. He filed a wrongful dismissal claim against the brewery and in July won \$36

YOU Said...

Was Justice served when Louise Woodward was released?

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION.

YES 28%

NO 64%



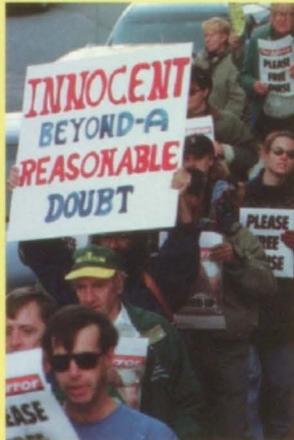
Todd Korol/SIPA Press

The capital murder trial of Theodore Kaczynski, the reputed Unabomber, began in November, was delayed in December and abruptly ended in January when Kaczynski agreed to a plea bargain, admitting that he was responsible for 16 explosions that killed three people and injured 23 others. During the three months of the trial, Kaczynski, 55, a Harvard graduate and former university math professor, kept his defense lawyers, prosecutors and the judge in the case busy by first attempting suicide and then demanding that he be allowed to defend himself. Ultimately, Kaczynski avoided possible execution by assuming responsibility as one of the most mysterious serial killers in U.S. history.



Greg Gibson/AP

The First Family got bigger in December when President Clinton welcomed Buddy the First Dog into the White House. The chocolate-brown Labrador pup became the first canine resident at the mansion since the Bush's dog, Millie, lived there. Although it took some time, it was said that Buddy and Socks, the Clinton's cat, were getting along wonderfully.



Victoria Arocho/AP

Supporters of 19-year-old British au pair Louise Woodward picket outside the superior courthouse in Cambridge, Mass. Although Woodward was convicted of second-degree murder in the death of infant Matthew Eappen, Judge Hiller Zobel overturned the verdict, calling it a "miscarriage of justice." Instead of the mandatory sentence of 15 years to life, Woodward was sentenced to time served and released.

Was Mike Tyson's punishment fair?

YES 75%

NO 23%

Is there life on other planets?

YES 63%

NO 34%

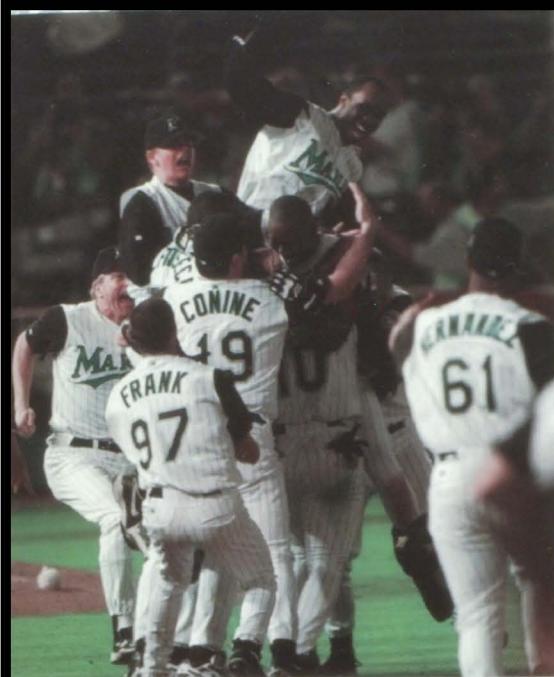


Gustavo Ferrari/AP

Tensions flared and the threat of war escalated in Iraq when Saddam Hussein continued to refuse U.N. inspectors access to suspected chemical and biological weapons sites. The United States and the world remained diligent trying to foster a commitment from Hussein to end his country's programs for weapons of mass destruction. The military build-up in Iraq began in the fall and continued into the new year when a U.N.-Iraq accord was signed, giving inspectors full access to sites previously declared off-limits. The accord, worked out by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, averted potential U.S. air strikes.

million. ♦ NBC sportscaster Marv Albert, arguably the most recognizable voice in sports, **pled guilty** to assault and battery charges in September and was subsequently fired by the network. The charges stemmed from an affair in which Albert apparently bit a woman several times on her back. With the plea, prosecutors

dropped the charge of forcible sodomy. ♦ Hundreds of thousands of black women converged on Washington for the "Million Woman March" on Oct. 25. Undaunted by gloomy weather, the women joined together for a walk through the city to show solidarity and to help bring to the forefront issues they believe are ignored by



John Bazemore/AP

The upstart Florida Marlins captured their first-ever World Series championship in October by defeating the Cleveland Indians in seven games. Shortly afterwards, the team was dismantled as Owner Wayne Huizenga traded several marquee players in an attempt to make the organization more profitable.



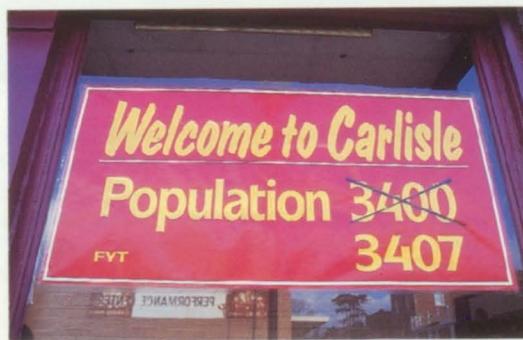
Bob Jordan/AP

Coaching great Dean Smith retired in the fall as head basketball coach at the University of North Carolina after 36 years at the school. Smith, 66, had a career mark of 879-254, charting the most career wins by a basketball coach in NCAA history. Along the way, Smith coached NBA superstars Michael Jordan and James Worthy, winning national championships in 1982 and 1993. His teams made 27 NCAA Tournament appearances, reaching the Sweet 16 an impressive 21 times.



David Longstreath/AP

Thousands of dignitaries and invited guests from around the world converged on Calcutta for the funeral mass of Mother Teresa, who died Sept. 5 of a heart attack at the age of 87. Mother Teresa, a Nobel Prize winner, was the world's most exalted humanitarian. More than 4,000 nuns are pledged to the order she founded, serving the poor, homeless and sick and dying all over the world.



Steve Liss/SYGMA



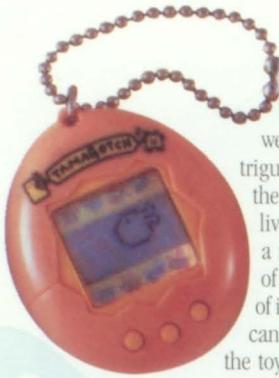
Paul Sakuma/AP

First Daughter Chelsea Clinton, 17, left the White House for Stanford University in September. While President Clinton and First Lady Hillary adapted to their empty nest, Chelsea attempted to become just another face in the crowd. Her transition into college life was less than conventional with the Secret Service shadowing her every move.

Boasting a new population of 3,407, the city of Carlisle, Iowa, rallied behind residents Kenny and Bobbi McCaughey after Bobbi gave birth to four boys and three girls, the world's only known set of living septuplets. The miracle birth was the result of fertility drugs, which Bobbi was taking before and after conceiving her first child, Mikayla. The daunting task of caring for the newborns — Kenneth, Alexis, Natalie, Kelsey, Brandon, Nathaniel, and Joel — was made easier when, within hours of their birth, the septuplets were showered with gifts, including cash and college scholarships, as well as car seats, strollers and lifetime supplies of Pampers and Gerber baby food. Local businesses also pitched in to build the family of 10 a new house.

mainstream women's groups. ♦ Mattel Inc. introduced and began marketing a "politically correct" Barbie in November. The less busty Barbie was designed to give a more realistic profile to the best-selling doll that has ired feminists and at the same time become an icon for generations of young girls. Features of the

new Barbie include a thicker waist and slimmer hips, as well as a new nose and softer, straighter hair. The changes mark the third time Barbie has evolved since her debut in 1959. Since that time, more than a billion dolls have been sold worldwide. ♦ Terry Nichols was found guilty in December of conspiring with Timothy McVeigh



Kato Oshihara/SIPA Press

Electronic or virtual pets

were the year's most popular and intriguing toys. About the size of an egg, the toy is a beloved domestic pet that lives and dies within the confines of a miniature screen. The well-being of the electronic pet is in the hands of its master. With proper care, the pet can live for up to 15 days. Demand for the toys was incredibly high with some stores reporting they sold out within hours of a new batch arriving.

Questions began circulating on Capitol Hill in December regarding former Ambassador Larry Lawrence's presumed use of inflated credentials to earn permission for burial at Arlington National Cemetery. Republican lawmakers publicly questioned the combat service claims that cleared the way for his burial in the historic cemetery. Lawrence's widow quickly decided to have her husband's body exhumed, but the controversy over how he received permission in the first place remained. A special oversight committee was charged with investigating past and future waivers.



William Philpott/AP



Mark Humphrey/AP

Elton John experienced a whirlwind year of tragedy and triumph. He dealt with the tragic loss of two friends when Gianni Versace and Princess Diana were killed. In tribute to the fallen princess, John rewrote his popular ballad, "Candle in the Wind." In March, he was knighted for his service to British pop music and his work for AIDS charities.



Peter Dejong/AP

Three students were killed and five others were injured in December at Heath High School in West Paducah, Ky., when fellow student Michael Carneal opened fire with a handgun in the school lobby. Lockers of the victims were decorated in the days following the shooting, which occurred as several students finished an informal prayer meeting in the crowded lobby. Carneal, 14, told investigators he was inspired by a scene in the 1995 movie "The Basketball Diaries," in which the main character, played by Leonardo DiCaprio, dreams about methodically gunning down five classmates while other students cheer. The Heath High School incident was one of four fatal school shootings during the year.



Tim Fitzgerald/AP

Detroit Lions linebacker Reggie Brown was knocked unconscious in December during a game against the New York Jets and had to be removed from the field by emergency personnel. He later underwent a four-hour surgery to fuse two vertebrae. Less than a month later, Brown made a stunning appearance at a hospital press conference, getting up out of his wheelchair and walking to the podium to give a statement. Although doctors were pleased with his progress, they noted that Brown would never fully recover and that his football career is most likely over. Following Brown's tragic injury, the Lions dedicated their first-round playoff game against Tampa Bay to him.

to bomb the federal building in Oklahoma City, but was acquitted of taking part in the actual bombing. He was also found guilty of involuntary manslaughter for the deaths of eight federal law enforcement agents who were in the building when the truck bomb exploded on April 19, 1995. Nichols, 43, has yet to be sentenced,

but the judge in the case has indicated he is leaning toward handing down a life sentence. The job of imposing a sentence was left to the judge after jurors failed to agree on a punishment. ♦ The Department of Justice cleared the first hurdle in its **antitrust battle with Microsoft Corporation** in November, winning a temporary

Tom Osborne, the Nebraska Cornhuskers' legendary coach, announced his retirement in December after 25 years on the job. Osborne, 61, cited health concerns and a desire to be with his family as reasons for retiring. He had a career record of 255-49-3 and reached his 250th victory in 302 games, 18 fewer than Penn State's Joe Paterno needed. Two back-to-back national championships in 1994 and 1995 and a share of the title in 1998 make Osborne one of college football's most prolific coaches ever. In his last game, the native Nebraskan went out in style as the Cornhuskers walloped Tennessee, 42-17, in the Orange Bowl.



John Gaps III/AP



Don Ryan/AP

Latrell Sprewell of the Golden State Warriors assaulted coach P.J. Carlesimo twice during a practice Dec. 1 and was subsequently suspended from the NBA for one year, the longest non-drug ban in league history. The decision sparked a heated debate over whether the punishment was fair. In March, an arbitrator ordered that Sprewell be reinstated and his suspension be reduced.

injunction banning the company's forced bundling of its Internet Explorer web browser. The justice department considers the browser a separate commercial product, while Microsoft argues that it is an integral feature of its Windows 95 operating system. The injunction, which came after several hearings involving

TV's Whirlwind Year

Jerry Seinfeld announced in December that his top-rated NBC sitcom, *Seinfeld*, was in its final season, indicating he wanted the show to go out while it was still in top form. In nine seasons, *Seinfeld* evolved into a cultural signpost and one of television's most popular shows. *Seinfeld's* finale on May 14 was estimated to be among the most widely viewed events in television history. Commercial airtime for the final episode commanded higher prices than the Super Bowl with a 30-second spot costing \$1 million.



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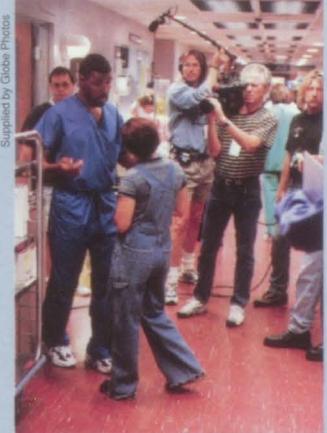
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The debut of Comedy Central's

crudely animated hit, *South Park*, was wildly successful as it became the network's highest-rated show ever. The exploits of potty-mouths Kenny, Kyle, Cartman and Stan were considered by some to be even more offensive than those of MTV's *Beavis & Butt-head*. Network censors were comfortable with most of the show's stunts, which included Kenny being killed in every episode, but balked at an episode where Stan was set on fire by another character.



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E.R., television's top-rated medical drama, created quite a stir with its live season-opening episode. Actors had one take to get it right and, when they finished, they did it again to accommodate all time zones. *E.R.*'s live episode set the stage for a season of unusual television developments with *Chicago Hope*'s musical episode, *Seinfeld*'s backwards episode and *Mad About You*'s no-commercial episode.



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MTV's Beavis & Butt-head ended its successful five-year run with a final episode in January as series creator Mike Judge hoped to spend more time on his FOX hit *King of the Hill*. Fans can still catch the show on MTV, where re-runs will air indefinitely.

YOU Said...

What is your favorite television show?

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION.

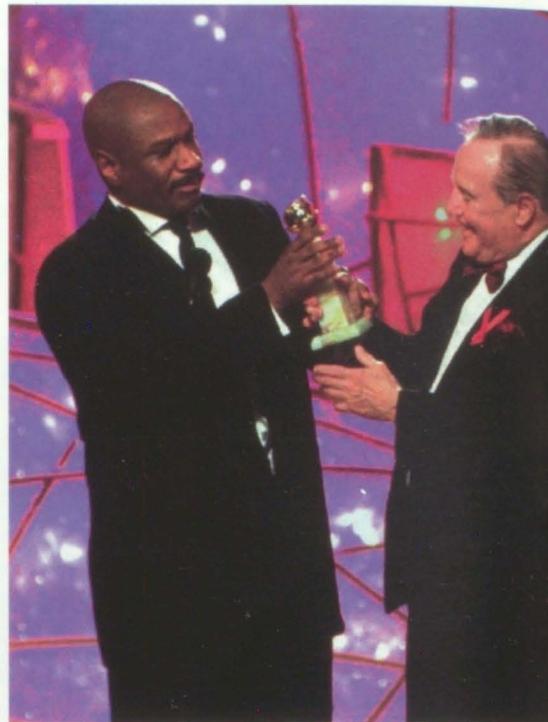
- 1 **SEINFELD**
- 2 **SOUTH PARK**
- 3 **THE SIMPSONS**
- 4 **PARTY OF FIVE**
- 5 **ER**

Microsoft CEO Bill Gates, will remain in place until a full judgment is made. In short, the injunction ordered the company to stop forcing computer manufacturers to license and preinstall its browser. ♦ Poultry workers and government officials in Hong Kong began the **massive slaughter of birds** in December, the first step in a

Hollywood's Golden Globe Awards ceremony was marked by a poignant moment when Ving Rhames gave his trophy for best actor in a TV miniseries to fellow nominee Jack Lemmon. Rhames was named best actor for his portrayal of boxing mogul Don King, while Lemmon was nominated for his role in a remake of "12 Angry Men." The unselfish gesture did not go unnoticed by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, which sponsors the awards, as Rhames was presented with another Golden Globe trophy a week later.

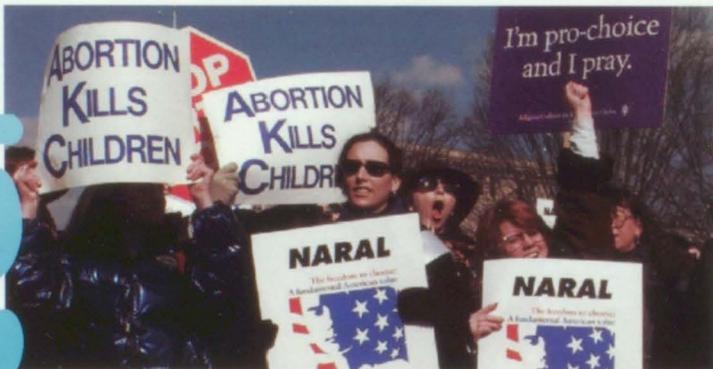


Eric Draper/AP



Margaret Norton/AP

The Michigan Wolverines' thrilling 21-16 victory in the Rose Bowl capped off an impressive season that ended in a share of the national championship with Nebraska. Charles Woodson, Michigan's all-purpose player and winner of the Heisman Trophy, was a key factor in the Wolverines' undefeated season.



Ron Edmunds/AP

The 25th Anniversary of the Supreme Court's historic Roe versus Wade decision was celebrated in January. Thousands on both sides of the volatile issue traveled to Washington, D.C. to observe the event. The 1973 ruling by the nation's highest court barred states from banning abortion, finding that a woman's right to privacy under the U.S. constitution included the right to end a pregnancy.

Sean "Puff Daddy" Combs made a big showing with an unmatched seven nominations and two wins during the 40th Annual Grammy Awards in February. Puff Daddy, shown giving presenter Danny DeVito an impromptu rap lesson, won Grammys for best rap performance by a duo or group for the song, "I'll Be Missing You," and best rap album for "No Way Out."



Mark Lennihan/AP

The Denver Broncos shocked the world in January with a 31-24 victory over the defending-champion Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII. It was the AFC's first world championship in 14 years and John Elway's first Super Bowl victory after three previous losses. Terrell Davis, Denver's star running back, scored three touchdowns and was named Super Bowl MVP.

plan to contain a mysterious "bird flu" virus. Having crossed over to humans, the virus caused four deaths and infected scores of other people. The government killed, disinfected and buried every chicken in Hong Kong — some 1.3 million of them. An unknown number of ducks, geese, quail, pigeons, doves, and other birds

that had been in close proximity to the chickens were also destroyed. ♦ A new pill that **stops hair loss and increases hair growth** in some men won approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in December. The manufacturer, Merck and Co., said the one-a-day pill, called "Propecia," was developed for baldness after men

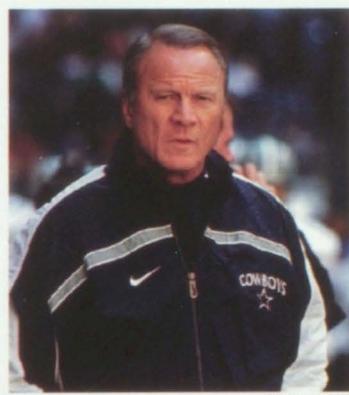


Felice Calabro/AP



Ed Reinke/AP

Twenty people died in northern Italy when a U.S. military fighter jet hit cable car lines, severing them and causing a car from the Mt. Cermis cable car line to plunge 300 feet and crash onto the side of a mountain. The cable car was carrying vacationers to the Cermis ski resort in the Dolomites mountains near the city of Cavalese. Four U.S. Marines were later charged with involuntary manslaughter and negligent homicide after an investigation determined their jet was flying too low and too fast. The crewmen also face charges for damage to military property, damage to private property and dereliction of duty.



Bill Kostroun/AP

Dallas Cowboys' head coach Barry Switzer resigned in January following a dismal season that saw his team miss the playoffs for the first time since 1990. Switzer, 60, compiled a 40-24 record in four seasons with the Cowboys and led them to a win in Super Bowl XXX, but never won over Dallas fans after succeeding the popular Jimmy Johnson.

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION

YOU Said...

Favorite Movies of 1997

- 1 **Titanic**
- 2 **Scream**
- 3 **Scream 2**
- 4 **Men In Black**
- 5 **Soul Food**

Favorite New Artist of 1997

- 1 **Matchbox 20**
- 2 **Puff Daddy**
- 3 **Usher**
- 4 **Backstreet Boys**
- 5 **Smash Mouth**

Was Seinfeld in top form in its last season?

YES 59% **NO** 36%

Supplied by Globe Photos

taking it for prostate enlargement noticed increased hair growth. ♦ Daniel Devlin, the Republican mayor of Upper Darby Borough near Philadelphia, was arrested in December after a **daring daylight robbery** of a local bank. Authorities said Devlin, who was despondent over losing a bid for re-election and facing unemploy-

ment, entered the bank wearing sunglasses, a Miami Dolphins jacket and a baseball cap. He told a teller he had a bomb and demanded cash. The teller turned over \$1,500 and Devlin walked casually out of the bank. He surrendered to authorities 30 minutes later. ♦ The **bright flashing lights** of a popular Japanese televi-

Sen. John Glenn, the first American astronaut to orbit the Earth, got his wish to go back into space when NASA announced in January that he will be aboard the shuttle Discovery in October. At 77, Glenn will be the oldest person to fly in space. His presence on Discovery will aid researchers in their understanding of how the weightlessness of space affects the body as it ages. The Ohio Democrat lobbied for months to return to space, and has passed the rigorous physical tests required by NASA.

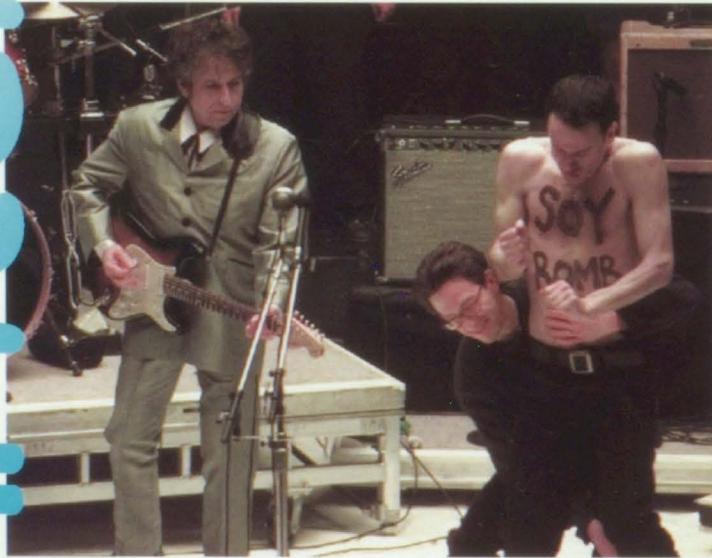


Ruth Fremson/AP

Pop music sensation Hanson led the year's "kid-rock" phenomenon, joining Silverchair, LeeAnn Rimes and Johnny Lang in pre-pubescent popularity. Brothers Isaac, Taylor and Zac, drove fellow teeny-boppers wild with their snappy-happy songs of life and love. Their breakthrough album, "Middle of Nowhere," earned Grammy nominations for record of the year and best new album.



Ron Edmonds/AP



Mark Lennihan/AP

Bob Dylan scored big at the Grammys in February. The rock music legend's album, "Time Out of Mind," won album of the year. He also won best male rock performance for the song "Cold Irons Bound." The icing on the cake came for Dylan when his son, Jakob, and his band, the Wallflowers, won two Grammys for best rock song and best rock performance by a duo or group for "One Headlight."



Chris O'Meara/AP

Winston Cup driver Dale Earnhardt captured his first-ever Daytona 500 win in February, breaking a streak of 19-straight losses in stock car racing's showcase event. The win also ended a 59-race Winston Cup losing streak. Earnhardt had lost Daytona twice before on the last lap, but this time held off a host of challengers. A crash on the 199th lap allowed him to take the checkered flag alone and virtually unchallenged.

sion cartoon came under scrutiny in December, when it was discovered they had triggered seizures in hundreds of children. Reports indicated that more than 600 children had suffered convulsions, vomiting, irritated eyes, and other symptoms after watching the cartoon "Pokemon." The phenomenon was linked to a scene

in a particular episode, where characters were fighting each other inside a computer and a bomb exploded resulting in five seconds of flashing red lights. ♦ Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers became **the first player in NFL history** to be elected league MVP three times when he and Barry Sanders were chosen as co-MVP's

Spirit of Nagano

Karla Faye Tucker, a convicted ax murderer and born-again Christian, became the first woman to be executed in the United States since 1984 when the state of Texas put her to death in February. She was only the second woman executed since 1976, when the Supreme Court allowed capital punishment to resume. Tucker, 38, was sentenced to die for the 1983 pickax murder of two people in Houston. Her case touched off an international debate over redemption and the morality of the death penalty. For some it was a gender issue, but not for Tucker. She argued for clemency based on her newfound faith, claiming she had been rehabilitated and wanted a life sentence so she could help others behind bars.

After a long delay, the much anticipated visit of Pope John Paul II to Cuba came to pass in January. Welcomed by Fidel Castro, the ailing pontiff spent five days in Cuba on a visit that many believed would set a new course for the Cuban church. Tens of thousands of people gathered to see the pope as he made stops and celebrated mass in several Cuban cities, including Havana and Camaguey.

Ron Kuntz/SYGMA



Ruth Fremson/AP

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Packing the USA's 1-2 punch in figure skating were 15-year-old Tara Lipinski and

Michelle Kwan, 17, who battled down to the wire to win the gold and silver medals, respectively. Lipinski became the youngest figure skater to ever win the gold medal when she edged Kwan in the free skating program finals of the XVIII Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.



Danilo Espinosa/AP



Robert Bokathy/AP



Paul Sakuma/AP

Eric Bergouste won two of the USA's six gold medals and set a new world record in the freestyle skiing aerials competition in Nagano. Bergouste performed two different quadruple-twisting triple flips for a combined score of 255.64 points, eclipsing Nicolas Fontaine of Canada's previous world record score of 254.98.



The U.S. women's hockey team beat Canada to win the gold medal at Nagano in the fledgling sports' first-ever Olympics showing. After finishing second to Team Canada in four previous world championships, the United States got their revenge with a 3-1 victory in the gold-medal game.

American skier Picabo Street captured the Super-G gold medal in dazzling style, captivating fans of the last Winter Olympics of the 20th Century with her extraordinary zeal. That zeal was missing in action during the downhill competition when she went for a second medal and lost.

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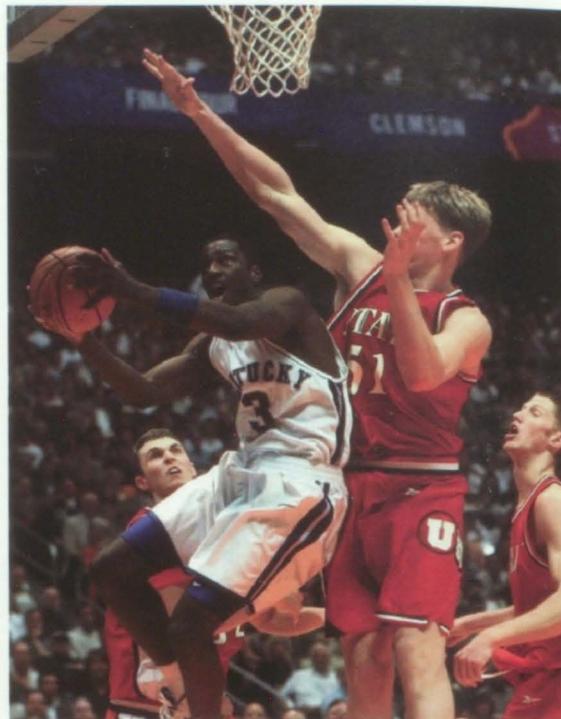
after the 1997 season. Favre's three consecutive MVP honors matched him with the legendary Joe Montana as the only NFL quarterbacks ever to win the award in consecutive years. His selection in 1997 was based in part on a record-setting fourth consecutive season of throwing 30 or more touchdown passes. ♦

Researchers announced in January they had traced the very first case of HIV infection to a man living in what was then the Belgian Congo in 1959. They say the sample looks like an ancestor of several subtypes of HIV now found around the world. It suggests that HIV "evolved from a single introduction into the Africa popu-

The University of Kentucky won its seventh NCAA championship, putting together a record-setting rally to beat Utah, 78-69. The Wildcats were behind most of the game, including a 10-point deficit at halftime, the largest any champion has ever overcome. The Final Four field of Kentucky, Stanford, Utah, and North Carolina marked the first time in tournament history that No. 1 seeds advanced.



Susan Sterner/AP



Charlie Neiburg/AP

Director James Cameron's exciting win as Best Director was just the tip of the iceberg for his epic movie "Titanic" at the 70th Annual Academy Awards. The colossal blockbuster took home an Oscar in 11 of the 14 categories for which it was nominated, including Best Picture. At the box office, "Titanic" became the highest-grossing movie of all time by amassing more than \$1.2 billion in ticket sales worldwide.

Talk show host Oprah Winfrey claimed victory after being sued for allegedly defaming the beef industry. A jury rejected a lawsuit filed by Texas cattle-men, who argued that Winfrey's televised comments about the dangers of mad cow disease caused the beef market to plunge and cost them millions of dollars.



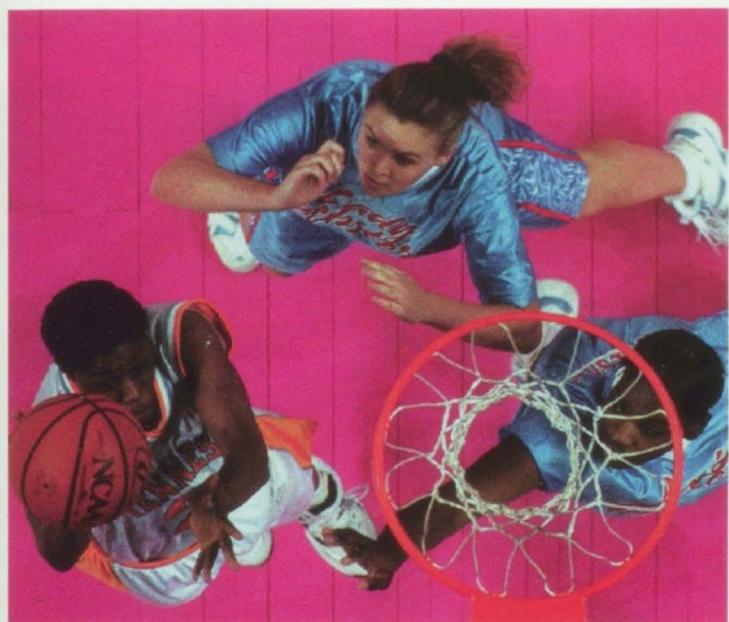
L.M. Otero/AP

lation in a time frame not long before 1959." ♦ The NFL signed a staggering eight-year, **\$17.7 billion television contract** in January, renewing its agreement with FOX to broadcast NFC games and turning the AFC games over to CBS. By losing the AFC package, NBC will be without football for the first time in more than

three decades. CBS, which four years ago lost its long-standing NFL contract to upstart FOX, paid \$4 billion to acquire the AFC rights away from rival NBC. As part of the contract, ABC renewed its rights to Monday Night Football and agreed to broadcast the games an hour earlier at 8 p.m. EST. ♦ Golfer Tiger Woods took



Charles Rex Arbogast/AP



Orlin Wagner/AP

The Tennessee Volunteers won their third-straight championship with a 93-75 win over Louisiana Tech in the Women's NCAA Tournament. The win capped a perfect 39-0 season, the most wins ever for a women's NCAA team. The championship was the sixth for the Lady Vols in the last 12 years.

Former White House intern Monica Lewinsky became the center of attention when her secret claims of having an affair with President Clinton surfaced. Special Prosecutor Kenneth Starr led a White House probe, while media and political pundits debated the veracity of the allegations. The president firmly denied the charges both publicly and in a historic grand jury deposition. Meanwhile, in a similar case, an Arkansas judge threw out the sexual harassment suit filed against the President by Paula Jones.

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5 Dyeing Hair

The Most Influential Person of 1997

1 Princess Diana
2 Mother Teresa
3 Bill Clinton
4 Tiger Woods
5 Marilyn Manson

The Spice Girls proudly display a pair of their trademark platform shoes during a promotion for the movie, "Spice World," the release of which followed the success of their self-titled debut album that sold more than 6 million copies.

A color photograph of the Spice Girls standing together and smiling. They are wearing dark leather jackets and platform shoes.

Jean Whitelaw/AP

home three **ESPYs** for excellence in sports in February. Woods, the 1997 PGA Tour player of the year, shared male athlete of the year honors with Ken Griffey Jr., and also won performer of the year and showstopper of the year for his win at the Masters. ♦ A **5-year-old Florida girl** was placed under arrest on felony charges

in February for allegedly biting and scratching a teacher. The girl went into a rage and attacked a kindergarten support teacher who tried to calm her. Facing a felony charge of battery of an educator, she was released into the care of her parents. The charges were later dropped. Appalled by the school's actions, the child's par-

Four students and a teacher were killed and 11 others were wounded at Westside Middle School in Jonesboro, Ark., when two boys opened fire on classmates after allegedly luring them outside with a false fire alarm. Authorities said the boys, 13 and 11, were friends and committed the crime to retaliate against the oldest boy's girlfriend, who had broken up with him. The Arkansas shooting was the year's fourth fatal shooting in a school.



"Grease," Hollywood's most profitable musical ever, was re-released in theaters in March for its 20th Anniversary. Fans of all ages flocked to see the movie, which featured a digitally remastered soundtrack. The scene inside most theaters was extraordinary with singing, clapping and dancing in the aisles. In its opening weekend, "Grease" rivaled the blockbuster "Titanic" in ticket sales. Since its debut in 1978, "Grease" has grossed more than \$340 million.



April 4th marked the 30-year anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination. Thousands converged on Memphis to honor the slain civil rights leader, who was shot to death on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel by James Earl Ray. Meanwhile, a former FBI agent who investigated the assassination revealed new evidence that supports Ray's claim of a government conspiracy. Ray, 70, in prison and dying of liver cancer, confessed to the killing, but later recanted. The agent said he found, and kept, two slips of paper in Ray's car, which he and his partner impounded. The slips of paper allegedly contain information that may bolster Ray's claim of a cover up.



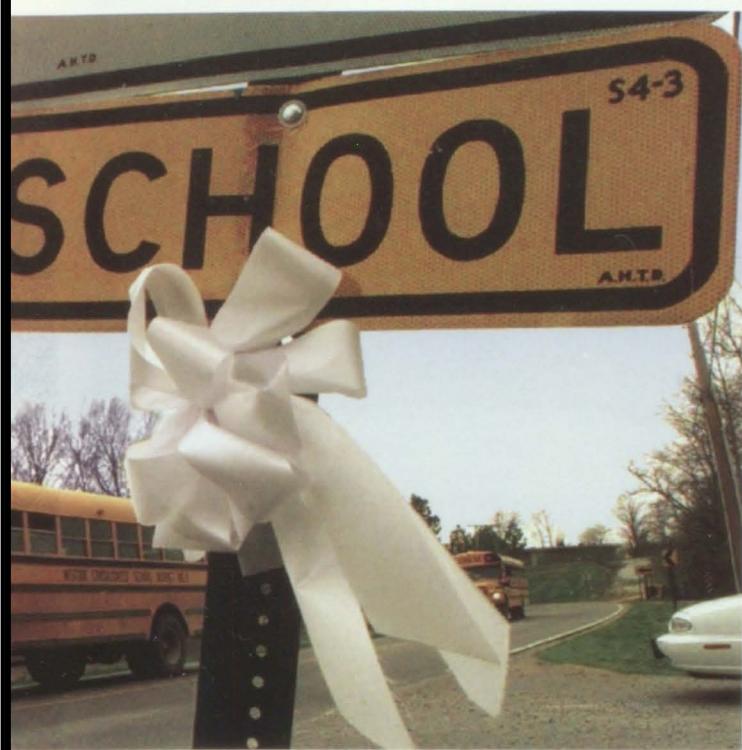
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Jack Nicholson and Helen Hunt charmed movie audiences and Academy voters with their work in "As Good As It Gets," each taking home a best-acting Oscar for their stellar performances. Nicholson's win was his third, while Hunt won her first Academy Award.

ents pulled her and her sister out of the school and enrolled them elsewhere. ♦ NFL owners again rejected a proposal to bring back instant replay during a league meeting in March. The measure fell two votes short of the 23 votes it needed to pass. Nine teams turned down the latest proposal, a system that would have al-

lowed coaches a limited number of challenges per game to call for video review. ♦ A tornado ravaged eastern India in March, killing more than 200 people and destroying scores of villages. The deadly tornado carried with it winds in excess of 300 miles per hour. ♦ Russian President Boris Yeltsin made a bold move in March when

Blame It On El Niño



Mark Humphrey/AP



David Woo/SYGMA

Heng-Ming Chen, a soft-spoken 42-year-old former professor from Taiwan, and his followers believed God would descend to Earth to save hundreds of millions from nuclear holocaust by whisking them away in flying saucers. Chen claimed to be the father of Jesus Christ and said that at 10 a.m. on March 31 God would assume his body. Acting on his word, 150 sect members left their lives in Taiwan and moved to Garland, Texas, to witness the arrival of God.



Bill Sikes/AP



Michael Caulfield/AP

El Niño was responsible for record rainfall amounts in California as storm after storm drenched the Pacific coast, causing widespread flooding and landslide damages. Swollen rivers caused several roads to collapse, leading to costly destruction and several deaths. In 1982, the last time El Niño surfaced, an estimated \$13 billion in damages was recorded worldwide. Experts believe damages this time around would be far worse.



J. Pat Carter/AP

El Niño-driven tornadoes walloped parts of central Florida in late February, killing more than 30 people and destroying hundreds of homes and businesses. As many as 12 tornadoes were recorded, one of which measured 200 yards wide with winds of 150 to 250 miles per hour. At the height of the storms, it was estimated that nearly 140,000 people lost power.

Rollerblading in February is not usually popular in Buffalo, N.Y. But with the effects of El Niño, Buffalo experienced unseasonably warm temperatures during most of the winter months. El Niño, the mysterious weather phenomenon that occurs every two to seven years, was predicted to be the "climate event of the century." Although residents of Buffalo might disagree, El Niño's return in 1997 was largely unwelcome.

Michael Okoniewski/AP



In mid-March, a winter storm on the heels of an El Niño-related warm front dropped as much as 20 inches of snow and ice on areas of the Northeast and was responsible for more than 10 deaths. The swirling snow and bitter winds of this classic "Nor'easter" came after weeks of mostly mild temperatures, also credited to El Niño.

he fired his entire cabinet. Citing his attempt to try to jump start the country's plodding reforms, Yeltsin dismissed loyal Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin and his entire government. Conventional wisdom was that Chernomyrdin was destined to be Russia's next president, but Yeltsin's move threw wide open the race to elect his

successor in the year 2000. ♦ Loyal football fans in Cleveland rejoiced in March when the NFL passed a measure to bring back the Browns. The city, which lost its team in 1996 when it relocated to Baltimore, will field an expansion team in the 1999 season known again as the Cleveland Browns.

Lasting Impressions

Lloyd Bridges, 85, actor

William S. Burroughs, 83, writer

Allen Ginsberg, 70, poet

Micheal Hutchence, 37, musician

Brian Keith, 75, actor

Michael Kennedy, 39, politico

Jack Lord, 77, actor

Burgess Meredith, 89, actor

James Michener, 90, writer

Robert Mitchum, 79, actor

Robert Palmer, 52, musician

Rob Pilatus, 32, musician

Betty Shabazz, 61, civil rights activist

Red Skelton, 84, comedian

Brandon Tartikoff, 48, T.V. executive

Paul Tsongas, 55, senator

Carl Wilson, 51, musician

Tammy Wynette, 55, musician

Henny Youngman, 92, comedian

Chris Farley, 33, the over-the-top actor who spent four seasons on "Saturday Night Live" and later starred in several movies, died Dec. 18 in a Chicago apartment. The cause of death was determined to be an accidental overdose.

Congressman Sonny Bono's wife, Mary, kisses the casket of her late husband, while their daughter, Chianna, takes a moment to reflect, following Bono's funeral Jan. 9. The former entertainer and mayor of Palm Springs, Calif., was killed in a skiing accident.



Lennox McClelland/AP



Kevork Djansezian/AP

Mitchell Levy/Globe Photos



Nomadic newsman Charles Kuralt, 62, died July 4 of heart failure. For 13 years, Kuralt hosted the CBS television program, "On the Road," sharing poetic stories of ordinary people and places along America's byways.



John Swart/AP

Legendary Chicago Cubs' broadcaster Harry Caray, 77, died four days after collapsing at a Valentine's Day dinner. Caray, whose seventh-inning stretch renditions of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" became a cultural standard, spent 53 seasons broadcasting Major League Baseball.

Folk singer John Denver, 53, was killed Oct. 12 when his airplane crashed into California's Monterey Bay. Denver's homespun musical style was exemplified in hits such as "Thank God I'm a Country Boy" and "Rocky Mountain High."



David Zalubowski/AP

